



**April 2023**

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**President's Corner**

Well, when we got to the Mill amphitheater, it was cool and windy, but the sun was shining. There were no cars there, as we expected, but we all went ahead and set up the cruise-in anyway. By the time we got everything set up, the cars started rolling in. We had a great turn out!

Thank all of you who helped with the cruise-in. If the sun was out, it was not too bad, but after a while the clouds rolled in and hid the sun. Then a little cool turned into pretty cold! But all in all, we had great turn out. Maybe the next 7 will be a little warmer. Thank all of you who braved the first one.

Ok members, Nick sent out an email for me about our guest speaker this month at our meeting on April 4. Her name is Christy Owens, the director of the Carroll County Animal Shelter. What we would like to see is the great members of this car club step up and bring some kind of dog or puppy food, cat or kitten food, old towels, blankets, or anything for animals.

This would be great to show her that our members are giving, kindhearted, and we're the best club around. Come on members! We can do this! Thank you. Dinner will be at 6:00, and the meeting will be at 7:00pm at the Olive Tree Restaurant. I'll see you there.

*Danny Davis*

**Vice President**

Hey Golden City Cruisers!

I hope all is well. We had a great first of the year cruise in. It was kind of cool, weather wise, but we had a good turn out! I'd like to thank the set up and take down team and also those that brought cakes for the cake walk. I look forward to seeing y'all at the next meeting and our next cruise in. Take care and keep cruising cruisers!

*Bryant Deal*

**Sponsorship Report**

We have had a great first quarter with our sponsors responding to our club. This is the result of good relationships formed by our club members. This should be a great year.

I regret I could not make the first cruise... don't think I have missed one in 15 years! I haven't been that "under the weather" in quite some time. I turned down three invitations by local funeral homes, not yet!

We have 2 sponsors due this month

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| Young's Barbeque    | Danny Davis |
| O'Reilly Auto Parts | Don Edwards |

I was advised by Nick that our Platinum Sponsor Agan Truck Services will not be rejoining at this time. Sometime you just need to let them go before you become a pest, and we don't want this. Shelby Agan remains a good friend of the club, but he could not accept additional work if

we brought it to him. See how great our advertising has been?!!! Continue with the good work.

*Don Edwards*

### **Treasurer's Report**

Attached to this newsletter is the financial statement as of March 2023. If you have any questions, please let me know.

*Raylene Carroll*

### **Secretarial Report**

The minutes of the March meeting are attached to this newsletter. Please let me know if you have any questions.

*Jimmy Derrick*

### **March Birthdays & Anniversaries**



#### **Happy Birthday to:**

Steve Busby	4/10
Lee Culberson (he)	4/26
Ken Eckert	4/18
Liz Horne	4/23
Edie Phillips	4/9
Donald Threadgill	4/20
Kathleen Valentine	4/26

#### **Happy Anniversary to:**

Joel & Ann Roberts	4/7
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### **Area Car Events:**

#### **Car Shows:**

April 15, Buford – American Street Rodders Annual Car Show at Papa Jack’s Country Kitchen, 2200 Sparta Way, 1-5pm. Info: 404-422-6181

April 15, Rome – Exchange Club Car Show at Coosa Valley Fairgrounds, 1400 MLK Blvd, 10am-2pm. Info: 706-676-4462

April 22, Tallapoosa – Providence Baptist Church 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Car Show, 1519 Providence Church Rd, 10am-3pm. Info: 770-713-8652

April 22, Temple – Temple Spring Fling Classic Car and Motorcycle Show, 1989 or older cars, helps to benefit Band Boosters, Temple High School, 589 Sage St, Registration 7-8am, Public Judging 9am-3pm. Info: email- templespringfling@gmail.com

April 29, Hogansville – 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Show Benefitting Celebrate Recovery, 10am-2pm. Info: 706-957-6258

April 29, Powder Springs – 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Car Show at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, 2433 Brownsville Rd, 9am-2pm. Info: 678-410-8895

April 29, Rome – Woof Woof Animal Rescue Foundation of Rome/Floyd County Annual Car & Truck Show at Ollie’s Bargain Outlet, 2448 Shorter Ave, 9am-2pm. Info: 706-233-3543

May 6, Dallas – Georgia Classic Rides 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Open Car & Truck Show at Paulding Meadows Park on Hwy 61, 8am-3pm. Info: 678-633-8424

#### **Cruise Ins:**

1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Friday, Powder Springs – Zaxby’s 4410 Brownsville Rd. Info: 770-943-2634.

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday, Marietta - Piedmont Church, 570 Piedmont Rd, 8am-2pm. Info: 404-202-0070.

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday, Kennesaw – “Caffeine and Octane” at Town Center Mall, 400 Earnest Barrett Pkwy, 7 – 11am. Info: 404-713-9225 or [www.caffineandoctane.com](http://www.caffineandoctane.com)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, Villa Rica – Golden City Cruisers Downtown Cruise-in; members set-up at 3:30pm. Event is 5pm – 7:30pm.**

4<sup>th</sup> Saturday, Dallas - New Courthouse, 240 Constitution Blvd. 4-9pm. Info: 404-401-5653 or [www.georgiaclassicrides.com](http://www.georgiaclassicrides.com)

Last Sunday, Newnan – Rides & Coffee at Detail Garage, 172 Bullsboro Dr, 10am – 1pm. Info:470-818-0164

*Compiled by Nick Ware*

(For further details on these shows and more, refer to “Ragtops and Runningboards”, or refer to websites like <http://southeastwheelsevents.com/> or check out the Facebook page “Georgia Cruise-Ins and Car Shows”

## ***Our Next Meeting***

Our April meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, at the Olive Tree Restaurant in Villa Rica. If you plan on eating, please be there by 6pm. Our meeting will begin at 7pm.



## ***GCC in the "Villa Rican" News, 3/30/2023***

*(They were a week off in the caption, but we were on the front page! Thanks to Michael Valentine for providing the picture.)*

# ***Cruisin' into Spring***



The Golden City Cruisers held a spring car show on Saturday at the Mill in Villa Rica.

# **Activity Committee Report**

**April 4, 2023**

As March 2023 becomes a memory, I say “Thank Goodness it’s gone”. The weather is always so unpredictable that you never know what it will be when you plan an event. Our March cruise-in was a perfect example of unpredictable weather. We may have had colder days for cruise-ins, but I can’t remember them.

March was a cold month for us but it was an active month. We had our meeting, cruise-in, and our visit to Ithica Elementary School to do our part to help the students get a glimpse of a by-gone era. The theme of the

S.T.E.M.( Science-  
Technology-  
Engineering-Math)  
Meeting was inventors through history. Henry Ford was the inventor assigned to the Fourth Grade Students. And what better way to help these young students understand what they were studying than an assembly of beautiful cars.



The Golden City Cruisers provided ten cars, one car was from the A.A.C.A., there were two invited dirt track cars, one invited Tesla Model X, and one invited 2023 Ford Maverick hybrid pickup. The students and parents seemed to enjoy all the cars. All in all, it was a fun event for everyone involved.

After our fun filled trip to Ithica Elementary School, you may ask, “Oh my gosh, what are we going to do next?” Well, now that you have asked, we have a club picnic planned for April 29<sup>th</sup>, at Little Tallapoosa Park. We have Pavilion Number 2 reserved, and this year, there will be no confusion! We will again invite our sister club, the A.A.C.A. So, mark your calendar and, start planning your menu. This will be a covered dish affair. This year’s entrée will be hamburgers and hot dogs provided by the club.

You will receive more information about our picnic as the date gets closer.

The Activity Committee still has several outings planned, but if you have suggestions on things that you think are of interest to the club, please let us know, we are open to suggestions.

We hope to see everyone at The April Picnic.

*Rick Horne / Billy Glover*

# *Some of the Cars of Ithica*



**Golden City Cruisers Car Club  
Olive Tree Restaurant  
Villa Rica, Georgia  
March 7, 2023**

Danny Davis called the meeting to order at 7:09 PM. The club recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**President's report – Danny Davis**

Danny started the meeting asking the membership if anyone was aware of anybody was sick or in the hospital. He passed out copies of the 2022 Budget results including 2023 Proposed Fiscal Budget. He reviewed each line item and shared the justification and methodology for the 2023 proposed budget. There was a motion and seconded to accept the proposed 2023 budget. All was approved. Danny reviewed birthdays and anniversaries of the club members. He also suggested the club reach out to the Carrollton Animal Shelter and send a representative to one of our upcoming meetings. Danny will reach out to Christy Owens @ 770-214-3590 to confirm a potential date.

**Membership matters – Danny Davis**

Kimberly (Kim) Eckert application for membership was put before the membership for nomination and acceptance for membership to GCC. She was approved and accepted.

**Vice-president's report – Bryant Deal**

Bryant asked for volunteers to provide cakes for the upcoming Cruise-in on March 18th. Danny will make sure the trailer is at the Cruise-in.

The Cruise-in at Advance Auto was cancelled for April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**Secretary's report – Jimmy Derrick**

The February meeting minutes was nominated and seconded for approval. Majority voted and approved.

**Treasurer's report – Raylene Carroll**

The February Financial Report was nominated and seconded for approval. Majority voted and approved.

**Sponsorship report – Don Edwards**

Don asked that we continue to work with our Gold Sponsors and ask them to consider upgrading to a Platinum Sponsorship.

Don shared with the group the following upcoming renewals:

**Renewals Pending:**

Main Attraction Hair Salon	Platinum	3/1/2023
Streetside Classics	Platinum	3/1/2023
State Farm Insurance	Platinum	3/14/2023
Mrs. Patty's Nutty Candy Kitchen	Platinum	3/19/2023

**Renewals due in April:**

Young's Bar-be-que	Platinum	04/06/2023
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**Renewals upcoming in May:**

None due

**Activity report – Billy Glover**

Billy reviewed the visit to the Savoy Automobile Museum in Cartersville, GA. He provided the following feedback.

“Thank You” to all Golden City Cruisers Members and Guests that participated in the trip to The Savoy Automobile Museum, it was another amazing trip. The Savoy Museum never fails to amaze their guests. For those that were unable to attend, you missed a fun and exciting trip.

We are invited to participate in the Stem/Social Studies night at Ithica Elementary School in Villa Rica on March 20th. We participated in this event in 2021 and we had a very good time with the children and, it was a learning experience for them. This year’s theme is “Inventing History” and, one of the inventors is Henry Ford. What better way for the children to learn about Henry Ford and the progression of the automobile than an assembly of old vehicles.

The Stem/Social Study starts at 6:00 pm and, usually lasts an hour. We will need to be there around 5:30 to 5:45. We will have a dedicated parking lot in front of the school. Last year, our portion was over before 7:00 pm. Ms. Scruggs needs to put together and distribute the flyers for the event and she needs to know if we will participate.

It was agreed by the group we will continue to invite AACA to our future events.

### **Upcoming Activities Proposed:**

March 18 <sup>th</sup>	Cruise-in	Villa Rica, GA	5:00PM
March 20 <sup>th</sup>	Ithica Elementary School	Villa Rica, GA	5:30PM
April 15 <sup>th</sup>	Cruise-in	Villa Rica, GA	5:00PM
April 29 <sup>th</sup>	Club Picnic	Tallapoosa, GA	TBD
May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Cruise-in	Villa Rica, GA	5:00PM
May 27 <sup>th</sup>	Potential Date Pioneer Ford		
June 10 <sup>th</sup>	John Thornton		

### **Unfinished business – general discussion**

Danny presented copies of the new membership applications to give out at the Cruise-ins at the gate and place in cars.

The membership evaluated the new GCC signs the club will use when participating in parades. It was decided by the club, if purchased, the members will use the signs with the white background. The members have the option of using static cling or magnetic signs. The signs can be ordered for \$20 per set. Each member is responsible for placing the order through the club and paying for each set they order.

### **New business – general discussion**

None to report.

### **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jimmy Derrick  
Secretary, Golden City Cruisers

**The Budget for 2023, as presented and passed 3/7/23**

<b>GOLDEN CITY CRUISERS</b>				
<b>2023 BUDGET</b>	<b>2023 PROJECTED INCOME</b>	<b>2022 ACTUAL INCOME</b>	<b>2023 PROJECTED EXPENSES</b>	<b>2022 ACTUAL EXPENSES</b>
<b>MEMBERSHIP DUES</b>	<b>1,260.00</b>	<b>1,620.00</b>		
<b>SPONSORS</b>	<b>6,800.00</b>	<b>7,050.00</b>	<b>389.77</b>	<b>325.20</b>
<b>CAR SHOW (registration &amp; awards advertising misc exp)</b>		<b>2,356.10</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	
<b>CRUISE EXPENSE</b>				
Water, Equip, Signs			200.00	235.27
Flyers			200.00	162.75
Cruise Insurance			274.00	267.00
Trailer Tag Registration			20.00	15.56
Miscellaneous <b>Stamps</b>			66.00	34.80
<b>MISC CLUB EXPENSE</b>				
Badges, Cards, Etc.			75.00	
Banking Fees, Checks				
Benevolence Flowers			500.00	244.68
Christmas Party Expense			275.00	209.64
Corporate Fee			30.00	30.00
Meeting Room, Guests			100.00	150.00
Misc. <b>Trailer Repair</b>			100.00	25.00
P.O. Box 973 Rental			230.00	212.00
Website Annual Fee			240.00	239.76
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,060.00</b>	<b>11,026.10</b>		
<b>CHARITY ACTIVITY FOR 2022</b>				<b>7,500.00</b>
Donations from vendors or Individuals		676.00		
50/50, cake walk, drink sales, grab table, parts table, plant sale, bike tix		3,049.10		
Transfer from general fund				
<b>CHARITY DONATIONS</b>				
Total Charity Fund				
General Fund 1/1/2022		5,490.57		
Hardship Fund		1,000.00		
Total Cash on Hand 1/1/2022 <sup>3</sup>		6,490.57		

# Golden City Cruisers Treasurer's Report March 2023

DATE	CASH/CHECK #	TRANSACTION DESCRIPTION	DEPOSIT	PAYMENT	BALANCE
3/1/2022		Balance	\$7,769.07		\$7,769.07
3/1/2023	Check 405242 - 2/10	Southwire - Sponsorship	\$ 250.00		\$8,019.07
3/7/2023	GCC Check #3500	Danny Davis/PrintingMembership	\$ -	\$ 155.47	\$7,863.60
3/7/2023	GCC Check #3501	Don Edwards/Trophy Kits	\$ -	\$ 389.77	\$7,473.83
3/11/2023	Check 0460 - 2/18	Main Street Guns - Sponsorship	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$7,573.83
3/11/2023	Chek 7844 - 2/21	J & R Construction - Sponsoship	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$7,823.83
3/11/2023	Cash	50/50 - March 7th Meeting	\$ 59.00	\$ -	\$7,882.83
3/11/2023	Cash	Kimberly Eckert - Membership	\$ 27.00	\$ -	\$7,909.83
3/18/2023	Withdrawal	Change for Cruise In		\$ 100.00	\$7,809.83
3/18/2023	GC Check #3502	Danny Davis/Drinks for Cruise In		\$ 56.39	\$7,753.44
3/20/2023	Check 3044 - 3/16	Amy Brown Insurance - Sponsorship	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$8,003.44
3/20/2023	Cash	Drinks/Cruise In - 3/18	\$ 2.00	\$ -	\$8,005.44
3/20/2023	Cash	Cake Walk/Cruise In - 3/18	\$ 82.00	\$ -	\$8,087.44
3/20/2023	Cash	50/50/Cruise In - 3/18	\$ 51.00	\$ -	\$8,138.44
3/20/2023	Cash	Donation Back to Club for 50/50	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$8,188.44
3/20/2023	Cash	Donations/Cruise In - 3/18	\$ 40.00	\$ -	\$8,228.44
3/20/2023	GCC Check #3503	Carroll Co. Tax Commissioner/Tag	\$ -	\$ 15.51	\$8,212.93
		Total Cash on Hand	\$ -	\$ -	\$8,212.93
		Less HardShip Fund			\$1,000.00
		Total Operating			\$7,212.93

# The story of L.W. Wright and one of NASCAR's enduring mysteries

Ryan McGee, ESPN Senior Writer, May 2, 2022

Has NASCAR's D.B. Cooper been found? Here, at the start of the week when a new NASCAR Hall of Fame class will be announced, a member of the sport's Hall of Infamy has broken a four-decade silence.

*"I said, 'That straightaway is almost a mile long! How much can that car gain before you go into that turn?' I said, 'Lord, I'm down here, but I'm gonna need some help,' and I didn't tell nobody else that.*



On this very date 40 years ago, a man named L.W. Wright competed at stock car racing's highest level on its fastest racetrack, starting 36th and finishing 39th in one of NASCAR's crown jewel events, the Winston 500 at Talladega Superspeedway. Prior to the race, no one in the Cup Series garage had heard of Wright, but the sanctioning body had for some reason accepted his racing résumé on little more than the word of the Tennessee trucking businessman, and a public relations group that had pitched on his behalf.

As soon as the race ended, he reportedly abandoned the Chevy Monte Carlo he had purchased for the event and disappeared. He has spent the past four decades evading everyone from NASCAR officials to private investigators hired by the people he still owed for that race car to a lot of lawyers and a growing number of would-be amateur auto-racing sleuths, eager to meet the man who somehow conned his way onto a racetrack alongside the likes of Dale Earnhardt, Richard Petty and race winner Darrell Waltrip.

As Tennessee Sports Writers Hall of Fame member Larry Woody wrote later that summer: "If he could have driven as fast as he talked, L.W. Wright would be a NASCAR champion now."

Over time, Wright's story has become NASCAR legend, especially in the conspiracy-obsessed corners of the internet. Woody himself revisited the mystery in a story in *The Anniston Star* two weeks ago. But after years of efforts from journalists to find Wright, he was finally located by another longtime motor sports writer, Rick Houston, who worked at the legendary Grand National Scene and now hosts the NASCAR history-based ["The Scene Vault" podcast](#). Houston spent an entire year searching for, locating and then ultimately persuading Wright to finally tell his story. On an agreed-upon date in mid-April, Houston was ushered to an undisclosed location, where Wright, now 73, was waiting. Houston was understandably skeptical about

meeting a man who has worked very diligently for nearly half a century to elude anyone from the NASCAR community. Because of that, the writer was very thorough about positively identifying Wright. Over the years, many have hypothesized that the one-off racer's name was never actually L.W. Wright. But, armed with a stack of back issues of Grand National Scene and photos from that day in 1982, Houston is positive the man he interviewed is the one in those images. The uniform Wright brought with him for the meeting was also a perfect match, all the way down to the stitching.

"If you can find somebody that said that I owed them \$30,000 dollars, you tell them I will face them," Wright says to Houston, denying any wrongdoing. "I want to see who they are, and I want to know how it come about. If it makes them stutter, then you know what I'm talking about, OK?"

In failing health, Wright seems to want to set the record straight. Skeptics will no doubt wonder if stock car racing's most infamous con man is to be trusted. There is even confusion about the post-Talladega disappearance. He is listed as a Did Not Qualify at the following weekend's race in Nashville, but no one recalls seeing him and neighbors reported he had shown up at his house the night after the Talladega event, grabbed some belongings -- including some of theirs that he'd already stolen -- and drove away, never to be seen again.

Regardless of who said what and what really happened, all will be stunned that Wright has resurfaced.

"I had a lot of friends in country music," he says on the podcast. "And I didn't use any of them other than what they wanted to do."

The story of Wright's lone race began with, well, that same story. In the spring of 1982, a publicist contacted newspapers in Tennessee, pitching a rags-to-riches racing tale about Wright. He was described a 33-year-old short track racer with 43 starts in NASCAR's Busch Grand National (now Xfinity) Series who was going to make his Cup Series debut at Talladega with backing from country music superstars he had worked for building buses and trucks for touring, including Waylon Jennings, Merle Haggard and T.G. Sheppard, who was already involved in stock car racing sponsorship. The team was titled Music City Racing. Wright applied for a NASCAR license, costing \$115, and also paid the \$100 fee to file an entry for the Talladega event.

According to news reports at the time. Wright then convinced Nashville-based Space Age Marketing and its owner, Bernie Terrell, to loan him \$30,000 to purchase a race car, \$7,500 to cover additional expenses and a big rig truck to haul the car south to Talladega. That car was purchased from local racing hero Coo Coo Marlin and his son Sterling -- a future two-time Daytona 500 winner -- for \$20,700, nearly all of which was paid in cash and the remainder covered via check. Wright wrote a lot of checks, to Goodyear for tires, to other teams for parts, and even spent \$168 to have racing jackets made for his crew.

Wright says he asked the Marlins to paint the all-red car black and give it the No. 34. "Because 34 come from Wendell Scott," Wright explains now, speaking of NASCAR's first full-time Black racer, who competing during the 1960s and early 1970s. "He was one who already tried to race but didn't have the means or the money. So, I picked up 34. Plus, I was 34 years old when I started racing."

Wright tells Houston he also asked Sterling Marlin to come down to oversee his pit stops and race strategy, to educate his new team for the future they planned to have. Marlin, who has always said it was his idea to follow Wright and the car to Talladega, was immediately skeptical.



"Hell, I had never heard of this guy," Sterling Marlin explained to ESPN in 2019, saying Wright claimed to have won a lot of short track races in Virginia but didn't seem to know the names of any Virginia racers, including living legend Tommy Houston. "So, I decided I'd go down there with him, kind of be his crew chief, just to keep an eye on him, you know. As soon as we got there, it all got even fishier."

Marlin says Wright spent the weekend asking questions "that any real racer would have already known the answer to" and that Wright knew the answers to none of them. When the story ran in a Nashville newspaper leading into the Winston 500, T.G. Sheppard's camp immediately released a statement that he had never heard of L.W. Wright. Wright responded with an apology, explaining that he had prematurely announced the sponsorship. He also said that there had been some confusion about his experience, that he hadn't actually run 43 Busch Series races, but rather lower-division events that were run at Busch Series racetracks. Still, NASCAR allowed him to make a qualifying run at its largest, fastest track.

"I'd never seen the track," Wright recalls to Houston about his arrival at the massive 2.66-mile trioval. "I remember pulling into the infield that day and standing at the end of the track and looking down it and I looked over at my brother [a member of the crew] and said, 'Lord, have mercy. There ain't no way ... you think about holding that car, the pedal flat on the floor, all the way around this track!'"

In a conversation prior to his death in 2010, Jim Hunter, the former NASCAR executive and Talladega Superspeedway president, cited Alabama's Right to Work laws as "handcuffs" to the sanctioning body's efforts to keep Wright off the racetrack, located 50 miles east of Birmingham. "Besides," Hunter said, laughing, "the damn guy did qualify for the race."

He did indeed, with a speed of 187.37 mph, at the same time that Benny Parsons became the first Cup Series driver to top 200 mph in pole qualifying. But Wright also crashed in practice. Leading up to the 500-mile race, he says he was approached with unsolicited advice from a pair of future NASCAR Hall of Famers. First Bobby Allison said not to feel bad if he didn't make the field but said, "Well, you're cocky enough." Then, according to Wright, Dale Earnhardt spoke to him after practice, advising, "When you get out there you get on the back of someone who'd been here before and follow them, stay with them and then make your move."

Once the green flag fell, the only move L.W. Wright made was to get out of the way.

Unable to maintain the minimum speed of 180 mph, he was ordered by NASCAR to retire to the garage after 13 laps. He finished 39th of 40 cars, earning \$1,545.

And that, according to reports at the time, is when he vanished. The checks he'd written did not vanish. According to Sterling Marlin and all of the investors in Music City Racing interviewed by newspaper reporters of the time, Wright's checks were returned due to insufficient funds.

"Don't ask me if I was surprised," Marlin said in 2019. "Because I was not."

Houston worked for a decade at the newspaper known lovingly as simply "Scene," the weekly publication that was the must-read of the stock car racing industry and fandom alike. Since the paper was shuttered in 2010, Houston has dedicated his career to digitizing back issues as well as interviewing heroes -- and now antiheroes -- of NASCAR's past. But he has never had an experience like this one.

"My takeaway from this is that L.W. was seeking to finally get a burden off of his shoulders, to finally get his story out there," Houston said. "In the grand scheme of things, in the rearview mirror, what he did wasn't truly all that bad. And I will say that the story we have all heard all these years and the story that he tells us now, they are not the same story. Is there closure? I don't know. But to sit there and listen to him finally talk about it, to a lot of NASCAR fans, that's a day we never thought would come."



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**Through the generous donations of our sponsors, the Golden City Cruisers Car Club is able to continue our support of area charities. Please use these Platinum Sponsors when you have a need!**



## ***Our Club Gold Sponsors***

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<a href="#"><u>Autozone, Villa Rica</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Liberty Chevrolet, Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Carroll Food Mart, Villa Rica</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Los Cowboys, Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Carrollton Car Stereo, Carrollton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Main St. Guns, Gold, &amp; Pawn, Hiram</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Cecil Harris Insurance Agency, Carrollton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Mayfield's Body Shop</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Danny Davis Trucking, Villa Rica</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>McCord's HVAC &amp; Refrig., Villa Rica</u></a>
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<a href="#"><u>Don Rich Ford, Villa Rica</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>My Financial Services, Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Great Classics 98.9, Carrollton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>O'Reilly Auto Parts – Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Haney's Drug Corner, Carrollton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>The Olive Tree, Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Hearn Monument, Carrollton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Pro Tech Car Wash, Villa Rica</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Jacky's Landscaping Materials, C'ton</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Smith Brothers Supply, Carrollton</u></a>
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**Golden City Cruisers Agenda**  
**April 4, 2023**

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| 1. Call to Order  | Danny Davis     |
| 2. Pledge of Allegiance   |                 |
| 3. Guest Speaker - Carroll Co. Animal Shelter, Christy Owens,<br>Director |                 |
| 4. Membership Matters   |                 |
| a) Anyone sick or in need   |                 |
| b) New member applications  |                 |
| •Adam Crowley   |                 |
| • Brayden Eison   |                 |
| • Tim Whitmire  |                 |
| 5. President Report   | Danny Davis     |
| 6. VP Report  | Bryant Deal     |
| 7. Secretary Report   | Jimmy Derrick   |
| 8. Treasurer Report   | Raylene Carroll |
| 9. Sponsorship Report   | Don Edwards     |
| 10. Activity Report   | Billy Glover    |
| 11. Unfinished Business   | Danny Davis     |
| 11. New Business  |                 |
| 12. Adjourn   |                 |
| 13. 50/50 drawing   |                 |

**PLEASE MAKE A COPY OF THIS AGENDA AND BRING IT  
TO THE MEETING, THANKS**