

January 2017



# The Antique Expression-- Jan. Mini

**Gulf Coast Region, Houston, Texas**

## Keep These Resolutions!

1. Come to our next meeting, on Monday, Jan. 9, in the Tracy Gee Center.
2. Don't forget to pay your dues! Do it now before you forget, or bring it to the meeting to save some money.
3. Use the page on the back to sign up for our annual Valentine's Day lunch and send in your reservation (or bring it Monday).

## Hooray! We Made It to 2017!!

I hope everyone is well and looking forward with enthusiasm to the New Year for the Gulf Coast AACA. So, what's in the works for 2017?

First is the Valentines lunch. This year we are going to a new place for us, The Agave Estates, so be sure to read about it in this AE Mini. Please be diligent about sending in your form and meal selections as soon as possible.

On a sad note, if you have correspondence from the AACA on the "AACA Museum" it looks like their relationship has ended after a 2½ year attempt to merge the AACA, the Library, and the Museum. After talking to Chuck Crane, Steve Moskowitz, and member Nick Ferrantino, I think that we have had some hard-headed egos in both the AACA Museum and the AACA, that have gotten us to where we are now. To summarize, when Sandra and I received the AACA letter explaining what has transpired, my first thought was for our member Nick who donated 2 vehicles to the Museum. I thought that if I were a person who had donated a vehicle to the Museum, I would be asking for it back! I know that seems kind of rash, but the thought that this situation has been festering for 2½ years and the only thing that I had ever heard about it was in an article I read in Hemmings Magazine that provided information on a merger of the AACA, the AACA Library and Resource Center, and the AACA Museum. That was it-a merger.

So, to find out that it has gotten to where it is now, knowing what I have been able to find out, I do think the AACA is acting in AACA members' best interest, but I do find fault in how the AACA has handled the situation. The AACA should have been letting its members know what has been going on long before now. I think it is safe to say, most people in the AACA assumed the Museum was in fact, in ownership, a part of the AACA; surely the AACA was aware of that. I hope that in hind sight, they now realize that. As for the Museum, again in my opinion, there is a laundry list of what I feel has been done wrong, and it starts with overinflated closed minded egos! But what do I know, I'm just one AACA member that has been giving money for years to a Museum that was started by the AACA and was called the "AACA Museum"! Come to the Jan. meeting for more information on the subject from National VP Chuck Crane.

On a lighter side, I am looking forward to 2017 for the Gulf Coast Region AACA. I am going to focus on membership growth, so for that reason, I will

## January Refreshments

Barbara Byrd  
Diana Forbes

## Make NOTE of these dates

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| Jan. 9     | Regular meeting at Tracy Gee Center, 7:30    |
| Jan. 30    | Deadline for articles - February issue of AE |
| Feb. 9-11  | 81st Annual AACA National meeting in PA      |
| Feb. 12    | Annual club Valentine's Day Lunch-Agave Real |
| Feb. 23-25 | AACA Winter Meet-Ocala, FL                   |

## Coming Up February 12th

### Valentine's Day Lunch at Agave Real in Katy

It will be a romantic time at a new place! Agave Real's delicately placed stone pathways gently lead you and your guests to a grand retreat, where the trickling aquatic features and fire creations captivate your senses. Real's rustic, yet enchanting ambience will transport you to an entirely new world. As you enter the gates, get ready to become entwined in an affair with nature. This is the perfect place to be with your Valentine! Let's celebrate together.

Turn this page over to use the form on the back to RSVP your spot

be acting as our club's Membership Chairperson. I will also, with help from our Board and Club members, make 2017 more fun, via club activities with programs and tours. More later for what we can look forward to in 2017. So let's all get in gear for a great year!

Jim Johnston  
President  
Gulf Coast Region AACA



**GCR AACA VALENTINE'S DAY CELEBRATION**  
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2017**  
**HEAD ON OUT TO THE COUNTRY**  
**WITH YOUR LOVED ONE AND YOUR OLD ONE!**



1250 FM 1463  
 Katy, TX 77494

12:00 "CAR SHOW" UP  
 12:30 LUNCH

**Directions:** Take I-10 West to FM 1463, take exit 740, go left to Agave Real section.

**Entrée choices** are listed below. Please select 1 entrée, and 1 dessert per person.

1. **Chicken Parmesan**- Breaded and oven crisped chicken breast with parmesan and marinara sauce.
2. **Short Rib Ragu**- Tender beef braised in tomato and white wine sauce.
3. **Herb Grilled Salmon**- Bay of Fundy wild king salmon, herb marinated and chargrilled.

**All served with garden salad, roasted fingerling potatoes and seasonal vegetables.**

**Dessert Options:** 1) Nutella Chocolate Cake or 2) Signature Bread Pudding



Complete the form below and send it and your check (to GCR AACA) to arrive **NO LATER THAN Jan. 26** to be included, or bring it to the January 9 meeting.

Use the back for additional names and food selections, including guests.

Name	Entrée #	Dessert
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Number members attending: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$25 each = \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number guests attending: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$30 each = \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children under 12 \_\_\_\_\_ X \$15 each = \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Mail form and check (made out to GCR AACA) to Evelyn Timmins, 2120 Lundy Ln., Friendswood, TX 77546*

**Don't forget, if you drive your antique, there is a  
 \$100 drawing!**