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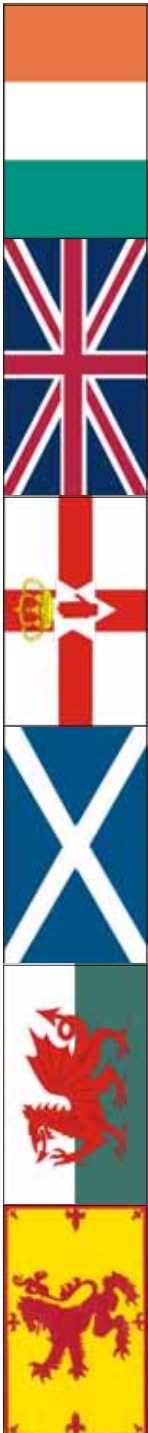
## Solomon’s Castle Tour

By: Gail Lenhard

Where can one see art in junk? Or create masterpieces with junk? Well, Howard Solomon saw art in what we would consider garbage. Using items such as used car parts, oil drums, scrape wood, printing plates, appliances, broken glass, coat hangers, and so much more Howard created his “castle.”

On May 18, nine cars (eight British cars & one non-British car) caravanned through back roads and toured Howard’s creation. Within the castle are the family's living quarters, a stained glass studio, a main entrance hall, and the extensive galleries, exhibiting Solomon's "found object" sculptures. Howard began his sculpting career at the tender age of four when his father handed him a block of wood and a whittling knife. What he did with that block of wood and knife was create a masterpiece that is displayed in the family’s living quarters.

After the tour, the group ventured into the Boat on the Moat for lunch and was treated to live entertainment. Some people took the path to see the workshop; others walked the trail behind the castle and worked off their lunch. The group enjoyed the tour & lunch and many said that they would be back with friends to visit again.



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### New Meeting Location for September Beef O’Brady’s

2471 N. McMullen Booth Rd, Clearwater, FL 33759 (727)  
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Southwest corner of McMullen Boot Rd. and Enterprise

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**It is the policy of this editor  
to review all articles  
submitted and make changes  
as necessary.**



**The "Fisherman"**



**Caravanning to Solomon's Castle**



**Howard's first work of art @ four years old.**



**Self portrait of Howard Solomon**

## **The Florida Suncoast MG Car Club Monthly Minutes - Summary June 22, 2013**

President, Glenn Lenhard, called the meeting to order at 11:40 a.m. and thanked Pam & John for setting up the brunch location.

Secretary's Report: A motion was made and approved to accept the May 8th minutes as printed in the Informer.

Treasurer's Report: John Lester stated that the club has a favorable balance in the checking account & CD. Gail gave him the P O Box renewal invoice.

Membership Report: Glenn said that there are currently 61 family/members.

Regalia: Contact Barrie for any regalia items.

Activities:

Past Activities: Glenn recapped the club's past activity:

May – 18 – Solomon's Castle tour and lunch – interclub event that was enjoyed by all who attended. Write up will be in the next Informer

June – 10 – 14 – NAMGAR GT-38, Asheville, NC – Rauchs, Lenhards, and Maniscalcos caravanned to Asheville stopping in Savannah, GA to help Bert & Bruce celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary along with Iggy & Darlene Miller,

who decided against the Asheville trip to vacation in Cedar Key. Glenn & Gail's recently restored MGA Mk II came in third out of 25 MGA Mk IIs.

Future Activities & Breakfast Club Info: See Listing in Informer for all Activities

Fellowship: The Club received a nice Thank you note from Weedon Island Preserve for the club's \$50 donation.

Newsletter: Deadline for articles is June 22.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

## For Sale

Description:

1951 MG TD—Beautiful, Show condition car (won Best British Vintage car at the St. Pete Festival of Speed, 2013 in a competitive field of cars) – restored in 2006. Body Cream with Green leather interior, Tan canvas top, tonneau and never used side curtains. Burl walnut dash with rebuilt engine, electronic ignition, solid state SU fuel pump. Lucas fog & driving lights, Halogen head lights with relay control. Owner's Handbook. Running gear refreshed, wood framing in excellent condition. She runs like it was a new car. Need garage space for another car I am restoring. Dr. George Orndorff, [gorndorff2@aol.com](mailto:gorndorff2@aol.com) or 727-470-0919 (leave message if I'm not able to answer). More photos on request. Asking \$26,000.00



## For Sale

### **The 1950 MG TD**

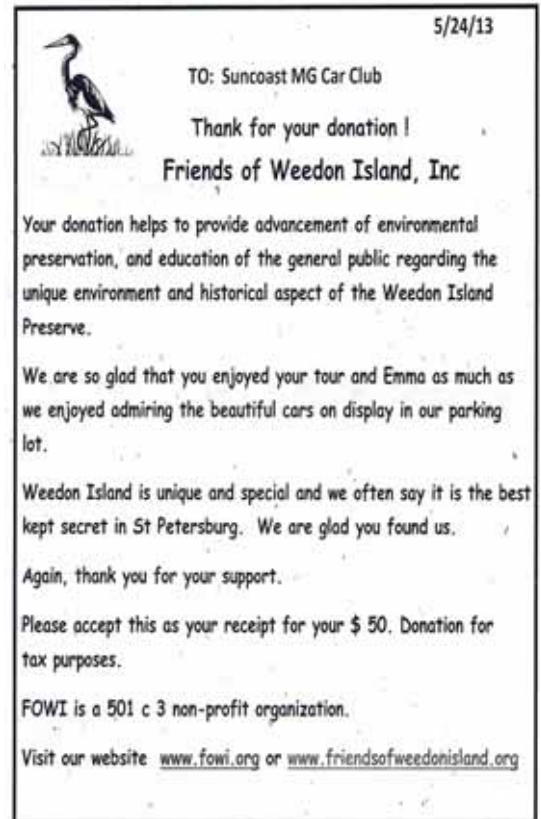
It is all there, (I am sure something is missing somewhere). I gave Steve \$4000 for the car to get it off of his plate now I have to get it off of mine. I would like to get my \$\$\$ back.

I am going to go through all of the stuff with the car and discard anything that is unusable and rebox the rest. Greg "Iggly" Miller: [igmandada1@aol.co.home](mailto:igmandada1@aol.co.home) 352-629-9683 cell 352-598-1027

I have also made the decision to sell my 1952 MG TD which is a complete unrestored car that has never been disassembled & everything is there, plus I have some parts to go along with it. I need to get \$6000 for my complete car with parts. Greg "Iggly" Miller: [igmandada1@aol.co.home](mailto:igmandada1@aol.co.home) 352-629-9683 cell 352-598-1027

## For Sale

1950 MG TD, partially redone: rolling Chassis & rebuilt motor, & includes a complete wood kit from Moss Motors, nice wire wheel conversion, Just needs somebody to restore the entire car. Asking \$4000 1952 MG TD, Complete



car, dry storage but all there, no missing parts, car has never been disassembled. Standard wheels. comes with MGA front end and rear end for conversion to disk brakes & wire wheels. Asking \$6000, a bargain. Greg "Iggy" Miller igmandada1@aol.co. home 352-629-9683 cell 352-598-1027



FSMGCC  
Activities



## Calendar of Events

**Bold type is club sponsored event.**

**Jul 03: FSMGCC Board of Directors meeting @ the Lenhard's home. Potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. Everyone welcomed.**

**Jul 04: Fourth of July Parade in Safety Harbor hosted by the Tampa Bay Austin Healey Club (See flyer on page 6)**

**Jul 13: Saturday Breakfast Club & Monthly Members meeting; 8:30 AM at Gator's Restaurant, 12754 Kingfish Dr. on John's Pass, Treasure Island, FL**

**Aug 10: Saturday Breakfast Club & Monthly Members meeting; 8:30 AM at a restaurant to be announced**

**Aug 17: Rays vs Toronto Blue Jays – 7:00 PM at Tropicana Field, St. Petersburg – Lower Reserved Box tickets are \$35.00 each, please contact B&B Rauch at 727-576-9474 or brauch1@tampabay.rr.com to reserve your seats.**

**Sep 07: 8:30 AM, Breakfast at the Paradise Restaurant, Main Street, Safety Harbor followed by a tour of the Yuengling Brewery in Tampa hosted by Ted & Marilyn Badger**

**Sep 11: Monthly Members meeting; 7:30 PM at Beef 'O'Brady's, 2471 N. McMullen Booth Rd, Clearwater, FL 33759 (727) 614-9717**

October 10-13:: Southeastern Fall GOF at Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, Georgia... Hosted by The Southeastern MG T Register. [www.semgr.org](http://www.semgr.org) – Callaway Gardens is a worthwhile trip even without the GOF...about the same distance as Atlanta – Car-a-Van info thru B&B Rauch at: 727-576-9474 or brauch1@tampabay.rr.com

Oct 26: All British Car Show in Safety Harbor

**Nov 16: Sun-N-Fun Classic Car Show, Fly-In and BBQ Cook-Off, 4175 Medulla Road, Lakeland...Let's get all the Bay area clubs to participate...It's Gotta be Fun!**



TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME

Saturday, August 17, 2013

Game Time 7:10 PM



Join fellow club members and friends for a night at the "Trop," Tropicana Field, for a game between the Tampa Bay Rays and the Toronto Blue Jays. These American League East games are very popular and good seats sell out fast. We have reserved twenty seats for our club, so act quickly!

We will be in the lower reserved section, behind the Rays bullpen. Group rate tickets are \$35.00 each which includes a free Rays cap.

Send your check payable to FSMGCC to: Bruce Rauch, 8632 18<sup>th</sup> Way North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702 or Gail Lenhard, Glenn's MG Repair, 3130 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue N, St. Petersburg, FL 33714 before July 17, 2013 or call me at 727-576-9474 to reserve your seats.

I will send the tickets to you so there is no waiting in line at the ballpark.



See You At The Game!

## JULY 2013 FELLOWSHIP

### JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- July 7 John & Janet Hessey
- July 17 James Porco & Teresa Griffith
- July 25-Bill & Marion Mason

### JULY BIRTHDAYS

- July 3 Joanne Baumgartner
- July 4 John Soler
- July 6 Sherrie Fitzpatrick
- July 8 Kathy Mills
- July 10 Jean Magee
- July 11 Ed McCarroll
- July 14 Nigel Petch
- July 17 Rick Hoppes
- July 18 Rob Bard



Photos of MGAs, GT-38, Biltmore House, Asheville, N.C.

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## Upcoming Events 2013 July

**Jul 03: FSMGCC Board of Directors meeting, 7:30 PM at Glenn & Gail's house, 930 Monticello Blvd. N, St. Pete 33703 – bring a dish to share**

**July 4 - Safety Harbor's Fourth of July Parade, 10AM on Main Street – hosted by the Tampa Bay Austin Healey Club followed by Lunch.**

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