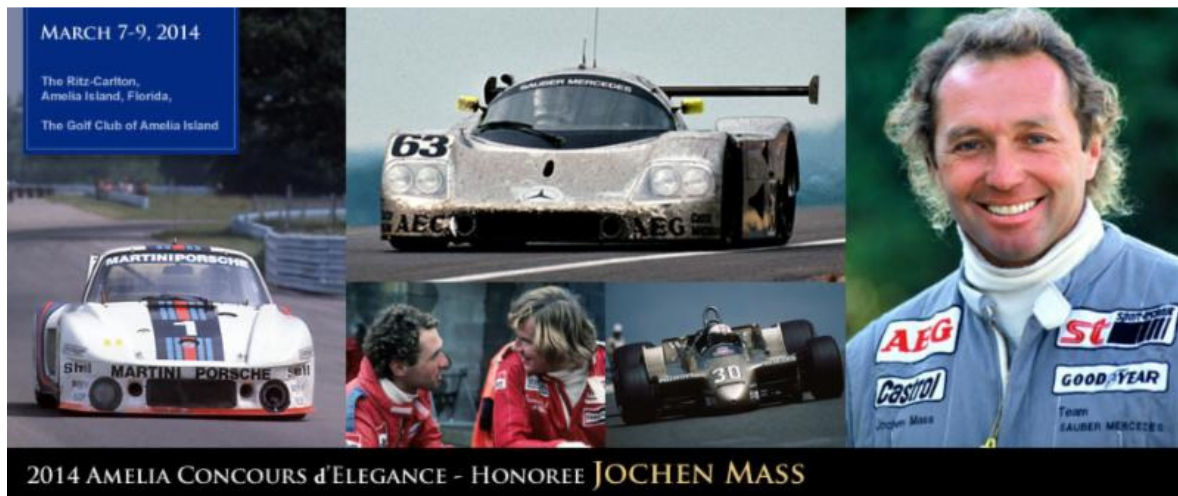




AMELIA ISLAND 2014 CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

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SHOP WITH COPS CHARITY BRINGS CHRISTMAS EARLY TO AMELIA CONCOURS STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS



Christmas came early to Amelia Island again thanks to the Nassau County Sheriff's Office and the Fernandina Beach Police Department's "Shop With Cops" programs for underprivileged local children.

Now in its tenth year, the annual holiday program teams needy local children, aged one to eleven, nominated by school guidance counselors, with Fernandina Beach Police officers and Nassau County Sheriff's deputies and a \$100 per child budget. It allows the children to buy family essentials and Christmas toys with the assistance and guidance of the deputies.

"The Amelia Island Concours is our largest single contributor," said Chief James Hurley of the Fernandina Beach Police Dept. "The Concours' participation is critical to this program."



Photo Courtesy Florida Times Union

Chief Hurley is proud that every penny collected for Shop With Cops goes toward the children's purchases. There are no administrative expenses. "That's how true charity should be," said Chief Hurley.

The program is popular within the Fernandina Beach Police Dept. With just 30 sworn officers, Shop With Cops drew the participation of 20 officers in 2013.

"It's good for the kids, and it's good for the officers," said Nassau County Sheriff Bill Leaper, who summed up Shop With Cops best while watching the deputies guide children through the toy department at the Yulee Wal-Mart.



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About The Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance

Now in its second decade, the Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance is among the top automotive events in the world. Always held the second full weekend in March, "The Amelia" draws over 250 rare vehicles from collections around the world to The Golf Club of Amelia Island and The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island for a celebration of the automobile like no other. Since 1996, the show's Foundation has donated over \$2 million to Community Hospice of Northeast Florida, Inc. and other deserving charities on Florida's First Coast. The 19th annual Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance is scheduled for March 7-9, 2014. For more information, visit www.ameliaconcours.org.



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