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#### The **BAY AREA HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB**

"BAHCC" was founded in 1951 by and for the automobile antiquarians dedicated to the preservation of PRE - 1916 ancient motor vehicles. "BAHCC" is one of the numerous Regional Groups of the Horseless Carriage Club of America "HCCA" which has 4600 members nationwide. "HCCA" membership is required of all active touring Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club Members, but is not required for "Associate" members. New membership into our club is invited. Permission to reproduce articles is granted provided credit is given to the original source.

The Gaslight Gazette is published 11 times per year with one issue for the months of JULY and August.

**MEETINGS:** First Wednesday @ 7:30 PM monthly (except July and December - no meeting) at Piedmont Community Hall, Piedmont, CA near Piedmont City Hall. April and November are potluck dinners starting at 6:30 PM. Guests welcome. Special presentations at meetings.

**BOARD MEETINGS:** Monthly. See calendar for schedule. Members welcome.

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#### **Editors Notes:**

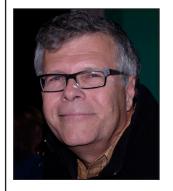
HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY and welcome to Super Bowl country. We certainly have a lot going on in SF getting ready for the big event. Hope you all have time to relax by your TV's and watch the big game.

Our club is starting off the year with lots of things on the calendar and tours to plan ahead for. Be sure to check out the proposed calendar from secretary Don Azevedo. We still don't have a current calendar on the web site, but the board is hard at work on a solution for the Web Site. I will continue to email the Gazette through my personal email this month as well as mail via USPS. Next month we should have the current active paid members list ready so that only those who have paid their dues will get the Gazette in the mail.

BE sure to PAY you dues if you have not already done so. Your checks should be mailed to our treasurer Whitney Haist. Many of us gather for dinner at the El Agavero Mexican Restaurant, 2071 Mountain Blvd, Montclair before the Wednesday meeting. Hope to see you there!

Please remember to have pictures and articles to the editor by February 22nd.

A big thank you to Gennelle Azevedo for her poetry especially written for our club publication.



#### A Note From President Jon Aliff

As most of you probably know by now, Amelia and I left for a month in Spain shortly after the Christmas Party. We've been spending quality time with family and traveling about the southern part of the country by car. It has been a fabulous adventure. Despite traveling in a marginally powered Italian car that liked sending urgent warnings of immanent failure, we managed to complete 1200 miles through countless small towns and over numerous mountains. Of particular note was visiting Malaga's car museum. The museum is located in an old cigar factory and is one of Spain's three significant car museums. The museum has more than a dozen horseless carriages ranging from a 1903 Dion Bouton and a 1904 Minervette to a 1916 Buick roadster.

Among them were two very rare Americans, a 1906 Jackson and a 1908 Richmond. My favorite was a whacky 2 cylinder 1912 racer designed by a World War 1 British Air Force pilot.

The next club outing will be the Valentine's Lunch. This time it will be on Valentine's Day and held on the Alameda waterfront thanks to extensive efforts by Bill Schrambling. Doug Durein is organizing a short tour to follow if weather permits. Trailer parking will be available. Look elsewhere for further information. Thanks Bill, Alaine and Doug.

Finally, congratulations to Muriel Lundquist for receiving Highest Honors for the Gaslight Gazette from the HCCA's National Director of Publications. Bravo!

cheers,

Jon Alff





# Valentine's Day Lunch



The Lunch for the 14th of February (Valentine's Day) will commence at 12:30PM at the *PIER 29* Restaurant in Alameda. Weather permitting, there will be a short tour after lunch and there should be plenty of parking at the restaurant for horseless carriages.

While there is a banquet menu, the Board has decided that it is just better to have the members select their lunches from the lunch menu, and therefore costs will be at each member's discretion. While the restaurant has a special Valentine's Menu, it is applicable to dinner only. So we will be seated in the group

section of the restaurant. Prices appear to be quite reasonable, and if anyone is interested in knowing selections in advance the menu is featured on their web site.

The restaurant is right at the Ballena Bay Yacht Harbor. One goes over to Alameda through the Posey Tube (Webster Street in Oakland). Just stay on Webster Street until it terminates at Central Avenue and turn right. At .5 mile on Central (west), Ballena Blvd is a left turn. The restaurant is .4 mile (south).

Again if weather permits, there is parking for trailers just south of the restaurant at the yacht club parking lot. Of course, the *Hornet Aircraft Carrier Museum* with plenty of secure parking is just a mile away. A tour will be selected in advance, and be ready if needed.

This will be fun.

**Bill Schrambling** 

## February Birthdays

HOFFMAN	Diane	2/7
CROWELL	Christine	2/9
GURNEE	Anne	2/10
AZEVEDO	Genelle	2/12
EBERS	Charles	2/21
CERRUTI	Veronica	2/22
PRATT	Scheryn	2/22
PAVA	David	2/23
DUREIN	Susan	2/27
ALFF	Amelia	2/28

# February Anniversaries

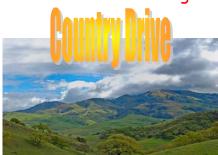
HOFFMAN	Steve	Diane	Feb. 13, 1982
BROMMER	Bill	Kaaren	Feb. 19, 1966



Blackhawk Car Show and Diablo Country Tour Sunday May 1, 2016 Danville, CA 7:00AM to 12:30 PM (including picnic lunch)

Suitable for ALL brass-era cars including one and two cylinders







You will be ENERGIZED

You will be MESMERIZED

You will be FERTILIZED

# Save the date!

Co-chairmen: Ed Harley and Whitney Haist

# Two in One

The Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club will be visiting 2 very fine museums on Saturday, April 23 in Stockton. This will be a modern car tour/event. We will first visit the Pat Craig private auto museum in downtown Stockton. Pat has numerous Pierce Arrow automobiles on display along with other cars and collectibles. Mark your calendar as this will be a real treat. After lunch we will visit the Haggin Museum featuring fine art and local history. Sunset Magazine refers to the Haggin Museum as "one of the unsung gems of California". We will be awed by 2 museums in one day. More details will be forthcoming. Event coordinator is Don Azevedo



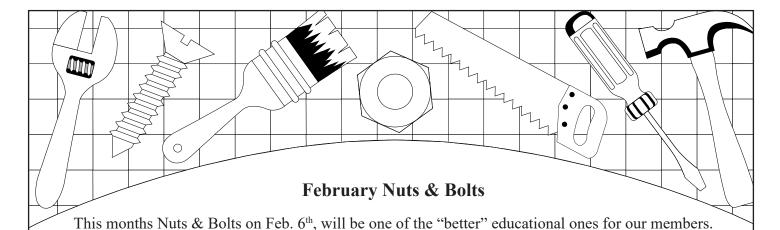
GREEN BRASS TOUR

SAVE THE DATE

SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2016

TOUR CHAIRS: DON AND PAM JOHNSON AND DONNA JONES

DETAILS TO FOLLOW FOR THIS NORTH BAY TOUR



Norm Schwartz has recently acquired a Stanley Steam car, and on that Saturday, he will have three or four steam fellows present and explaining to the rest of us how a steam car operates, start to finish. If the weather cooperates, he will push the car outside and actually attempt the first fire up since he has had it. "Why take a chance inside his beautiful building???"

So, if your like most of us, and don't really know about steam, and how it all works, this is your chance to learn and hopefully see Norm's car run.

Ladies are welcome. There is a lot more to see in his and Adria's old "automobile showroom".

Sat. Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 to 12:00am, at 406 Ward St. Martinez.

Doug Durein, Chief Nut!



**Jan. 7**<sup>th</sup> **Nuts and Bolts** was held at MR TOADS garage in Burlingame, for the purpose of getting rid of "stuff" preceding an upcoming move. This was a "no charge event", and members went home with things not knowing exactly what they were used for but they felt would be useful somewhere. Thanks for all that helped reduce the "stuff" inventory.

Members of BAHCC then worked on the 1910 Model T Fire Engine and its recently installed engine. The engine would start, then run for a few seconds and stop. Bill Cassiday determined first that needle valve on carburetor was set too lean, then found first/second gear band adjusted too tight and not releasing even when "in neutral". This added load to a cold engine, which then quit. Bill suggested jacking the rear wheels reducing the friction, allowing

engine to start and run. We tried this, it ran beautifully but the idle was too fast. Found this was caused by throttle and distributor rods being too long for this particular "new engine". Easily fixed by adjusting these rods to the correct length. Ed Archer noted that the fan was hitting the radiator clamp. Suggesting – get a shorter fan belt. Will do. The band problem will require removal of the floorboard at a later date.

Thanks for the help. Eric Lundquist







# Starting off our year right with great prose and thoughts from our talented

#### Genelle Azevedo

January we will start out with a clear mind,
All the officers set to do their part and be kind
The rest of the members will offer and help more,
Ready, pitch in, and not hurry out the door.
Planning our tours we will see and do new things
A happy talented club as bells will ring.

February is filled with happy hearts and love,
The weather may bring more rain, from above
Let's all pitch in even if we get our feet wet,
The sun will always shine and soon set.
When we are all having fun and happy
We will all pull together like taffy.

March may roll in with lightning and thunder,
We must have needed more rain down under
That won't stop us from taking our old cars,
They are tough and dependable with 4 good tires
They can go and stop on a dime
Crank her up as she runs so refined.

April will be blessed with showers,
The hills will be green and up come the wild flowers
Time to check, rebuild, replace the new parts
The main ticket the motor so it always starts
If it stutters stop and fix it
Grab a club mechanic, he will be your ticket.

#### **NEW MEMBER WELCOME:**

#### **Brian Harlamoff**

1575 Dougmar Drive, Santa Cruz, CA 95062

Cell: 831-475-1926

Brian has been recommended for membership by Tony Wolleson and owns multiple pre-1916 vehicles.

His vehicles include:

1912 Marmon Roadster 32-40,

1913 Packard 1-38 Phaeton Runabout,

1915 Pope Motorcycle twin,

1914 Scripps Booth Cyclecar,

1913 Model T Ford Runabout.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING TO THE GAS PRICES AND WHY?

Insight into the recent volatility in the crude oil prices is available on the web by searching "world crude oil production". Here's what is affecting the crude prices, and how crude prices affect gasoline prices, and what's likely to happen in 2016?

Sources: US DOE, BP Petroleum, other oil indexes:

PUMP/CRUDE PRICES					
Year	T - T				
per gal		per bbl			
2006	\$2.34				
2007	\$3.09	\$70			
2008	\$4.10	\$140			
2009	\$2.59	\$70			
2010	\$2.84	\$85			
2011	\$3.75	\$110			
2012	\$3.75	\$100			
2013	\$3.60	\$100			
2014	\$3.35	\$90			
2015	\$2.55	\$50			
2016	\$1.85	\$30			

<sup>\*</sup> National price at Pump CA is about \$0.50 higher/gal

PRODUCTION - Supply Side Upward Changes								
Year	World*	US **	China	Russia	OPEC	Iran	Iraq	NSea
	mbarrels							
2007	71							
2008	72	5.2	3.6	9	31	3.9	2.3	3.8
2009	71	5.2	3.7	9.5	33	4	2.4	3.5
2010	73	5.5	3.8	9.5	32	4	2.4	3.3
2011	73	6	2.9	9.5	32	4	2.4	3
2012	75	6.5	4	9.5	33	3.4	2.6	2.6
2013	75	7.5	4	10	32.5	3.1	3	2.3
2014	76	8.5	4.2	10	32.5	3.2	3.4	2.6
2015	77							
2016	80.5	10						
		60%	15%	11%	3%	(15%)	33%	(33%)
		US	China	Russia	OPEC	Iran**	Iraq	NSea

<sup>\*</sup> Fracking begins 2008

## The US has not seen \$30.00/bbl crude prices in the past 20 years.

#### Crude prices dramatic decreases is a two part answer:

Part 1. Upward changes on the supply side; much smaller upward changes on the demand side; result: "over-supply" of a commodity that you simply can not "store" and sell at a later date.

Part 2. The ability or willingness to "control production" by OPEC isn't being exercised by OPEC who from 1973 until 2014 <u>controlled</u> the crude price through restricting oil supply. In 1973, OPEC produced 50% of the world's crude, now OPEC produces 40%. Now US produces 10%, Canada 3%, Russia 10%, China 5%.

#### NEW additional oil will be available in 2016 from:

Russia - 1,000,000 more barrels per day	significance	adds 1.0 to the world production totals
Iran - 500,000 more barrels per day	significance	adds 0.5 to the world production totals
United States - 1,000,000 more barrels	significance	adds 1.0 to the world production totals

<sup>2016+</sup> 

New oil when added world production will exceed the current 80+ million barrels per day, up from 77mbd in 2015. OPEC anticipates the depressed prices will force some producers to shut down their production when costs exceed the \$30 price. E.g. US produced shale oil and fracking oil.

Since 2014 low crude prices in the US have resulted in 250,000 layoffs curtailing new drilling. North Dakota, the newest US oil went from boom at \$100/bbl oil to bust at \$30/bbl.

#### **DEMAND - Demand side changes**

Demand is increasing worldwide at half the rate the supply is increasing. Demand is influenced by more efficient automobiles, weakening economy in China, Japan's severe reduction in gasoline use, etc., Experts feel demand will not keep up with supply increases.

**Controlling Crude Prices:** The upward spiral started with the retaliation by the middle east OPEC nations against the US for supporting Israel in the Yom Kippur War in 1973 where Israel was attacked by Egypt, Syria and Iraq. Israel was outnumbered 10:1 against the attackers, US became involved almost immediately, the tide turned for Israel and conflict settled politically. The OPEC embargo on exporting crude to the US lasted for several months. OPEC then controlled 50% of the crude production and their created shortage bumped crude prices from \$2.50/bbl to \$10.00/bbl. The US shortage lasted 3-4 months; customers sat in long lines at the pump; gas prices increase from \$0.35/gal to \$0.55/gal.

Until last year, OPEC kept its production at 31+/- mbarrels/day as far back as 1973. This met demand, and kept crude prices steady above \$100/bbl. At OPEC's current 31+ mb/day until 2013, production exceeded demand by a manageable 2.4m/barrels/day. In 2015/2016 due to new oil production exceed demand by 4-5m/barrels/day, 5% of world production, which OPEC has been unable to "manage" thus creating a free-fall in crude prices.

The new oil from non-OPEC members including United States, Russia, and now Iran (Obama lifted sanctions last week allowing Iran to sell their oil on the open market) will continue to result in an oversupply. Low \$30/bbl prices could and will eliminate oil that costs more to produce than \$30/bbl e.g. high cost fracking oil production.

In addition to the oil that drops out due to high cost, OPEC could cut their production from 32mbll/day to 28mbll/day (or lower) to get back to the 77mbll/day world production/demand resulting in no oversupply, raising prices but this would further reduce OPEC revenues which are already very low due to the \$30 price versus former \$100 price.

The only one capable of creating a new "shortage" would be OPEC. Prognosis: crude oil prices will remain low.

Eric Lundquist 2016 BAHCC Chairman

# BAHCC CALENDAR YEAR 2016

Date Event	
1/9/16	Nuts and Bolts Lundquest Warehouse Burlingame
1/20/16	BAHCC Board Meeting - Fred Byl's home
1/23/16	Visit Walt Disney Family Museum San Francisce Presidio
1/30,31	Turlock Swap Meet
3-Feb	BAHCC Club Meeting
2/6/16	Nuts and Bolts
2/14/16	Valentine Brunch Pier 29 Alameda
2/17/16	BAHCC Board Meeting
3/2/16	BAHCC Club Meeting
3/5/16	Nuts and Bolts
3/13/16	Green Brass Tour - Don Johnson and Donna Jones
3/16/16	BAHCC Board Meeting
3/17,19	Chickasha Oklahoma Swap Meet
4/3,8	HCCA national Convention Brookville FL
4/6/16	BAHCC Club Meeting/Pot Luck Dinner and Auction
4/9/16	Nuts and Bolts
4/10,13	Grizzley Bear Tour Salinas, CA
4/14,16	Bakersfield Swap Meet
4/20/16	BAHCC Board Meeting
4/24/16	Nor Cal HCCA Swap Meet American River College, SAC
5/1/16	Blackhawk Cars and Coffee and BAHCC Tour/Picnic
5/4/16	BAHCC Club Meeting
5/7/16	Nutts and Bolts
5/9,12	Western Gaslight 1 & 2 Cylinder Tour Oakdale, CA
5/18/16	BAHCC Board Meeting
5/21,22	Pava Tour Shingle Springs
6/1/16	BAHCC Club Meeting
6/4/16	Nuts and Bolts
6/5/16	Auburn Swap Meet
6/12/16	Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Endurance Run
6/15/16	BAHCC Board Meeting
7/4/16	Piedmont Parade
7/22,24	Ryan's Ramble Washington
8/3/16	BAHCC Club Meeting
8/5,8	Hershey
8/8/16	Nutts and Bolts
8/19/16	BAHCC Board Meeting
9/2/16	BAHCC Club Meeting/Pot Luck Dinner
9/5/16	Nuts and Bolts
TBD	BAHCC Joint Board Meeting
TBD	BAHCC Christmas Party

# The Trea Surers Report for the year 2015.

There are three kinds of people in this world; those who are good with numbers and those who are not. If you are one of these or those you may find this interesting or not.

In 2015, your club raised \$2,605 in dues and another \$1,437 from our spring auction and from some very generous donations of vintage clothing and shop tools that were sold to club members. This was a substantial increase over previous years.

In 2015 your club subsidized the annual holiday party, a joint board dinner, nuts and bolts and several one day tours and of course, monthly meeting hospitality and a pot luck dinner. Your dues also cover our beautiful meeting place, The Piedmont Community Center, for about \$1,100. Production of a limited number of hard copy Gazettes and the Roster cost the club another \$360. This will increase dramatically since we are returning to the hard copy, mailed newsletter in 2016. The color Gazette runs about \$5.00 a copy, delivered. You numbers people can do the math on that one.

The bottom line showed a \$515.00 net loss for the year which was planned and budgeted by the board. The loss is covered by cash reserves created by the hard work of our members at our swap meets in years past. This continues to make the BAHCC one of the best car club values on the planet!

Whitney Haist

Numburs guy





# **Greetings Antique Auto Enthusiast,**

Save the date; Sunday, September 11, 2016 for the largest annual antique auto show in the West. And pass the date to your club members and friends.

The 16th annual Antique Autos in History Park (635 Phelan Ave., San Jose, CA) welcomes all pre-1946 original or restored-to-original-condition vehicles. This year we are featuring early Lincolns.

There is no registration for this event, nor a fee to enter. More information will follow.

Peder & Maria Jorgensen Antique Autos in History Park Coordinators

# HCCA NATIONAL NEWS



To: Regional Groups (RG) and Affiliated Registries (AR) Contacts and Others

**Re:** New Year, Election Results, Thanks to the Leaders, Convention and Tours, What is New? ...

Issue: 2016-01-04 #01

- Get Ready for New Year It's official, the clock has started the new year is here ... It is time to start planning your 2016 Touring season and then start getting your vehicle(s) ready for when the winter ends and your trailer needs to be loaded.
- Election Results / 2016 HCCA Board Members Class – The election votes were counted by the HCCA CPA in December 2015 and I am pleased to announce that the new Board Member class consists of the following in alphabetical order ...
  - ➤ Steve Cook MA/FL
  - ➤ Bob Ladd PA (Incumbent)
  - Chris Paulsen KS (Incumbent)
  - ➤ Don Plumb OR
  - Steve Rinaldo GA

Congratulations go to the new class of Directors. It will be a busy year with changes planned, all hands will be needed. The new HCCA officers for 2016 will be elected and installed at the *Annual Convention* / FL.

#### • Thanks to the Leaders –

Question to each member...Did you take the time and effort to thank your local club editor, Tour leaders and club officers for all of the time and effort they spend in 2015? It takes a lot of time to keep the organization together and plan events. Little thanks will go a long way.

- Convention and Tours There are a lot of tours each year so ...
  - If you are planning a tour, make sure the information is posted correctly on the HCCA web site and in the Gazette.
  - If you know of a tour being held by another organization, Contact Brad Balduff, HCCA web master and have the general tour information put on the web site calendar to help other members with their yearly planning.

Over the past years I have attended Annual conventions in CA, CA, AZ, and TX. So this year we are heading to FL ...

#### 2016 "Swarm to BEE Warm" ...

Have you signed up ... Made your reservations and Marked your calendar? – The 2016 HCCA Annual Convention and tours will be held April 3 – 8, 2016 at the Hampton Inn, 30301 Cortez Blvd, Brooksville, FL (352-796-1000) ... The Annual Meeting, Tours, Events, Seminars and Presentations will allow us to meet the goal of Sharing, Educating and Passing our experience on to others. Because the event allows us to meet face to face, it reunites old hobby friends and allows us to expose the public to the Horseless Carriage Club of America in different parts of the country.

You can find the Registration form on line at www.hccafl.org. Do not wait, space is limited.

• What's is New – Introduction of QR Codes
I want to congratulate Horseless Carriage Club
of Southern CA for their use of a "Quick
Response Code" on their banner.



The square of dots on the banner (after line with "Join US") allows anyone with a phone Bar Scanner application to find out immediately what the organization is ... Great Idea ...

Share, Educate and Pass It On...

Carlton Pate / anpcop@aol.com

HCCA National Vice President

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#### **BAHCC Board Meeting Minutes**

The BAHCC Board met at the Brass Door Restaurant in San Ramon on November 17th 2015 for the Joint Board Meeting. The meeting was called to order by President Eric Lundquist at 8:22 P.M. with all Board members present except Gerry. Guests attending the meeting included Doug and Susan Durein

Minutes: The minutes for the October Board meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Whitney reported we had money in the bank and checks in the check book so all is well.

Selection of Officers: Ed Archer made a motion to elect Jon Alff as the president for 2016. Don Azevedo seconded the motion. The motion carried. Jon announced the following as Old Business:. his choices for the other officers and chairman positions:

Vice President: Whitney Haist

Treasurer: Whitney Haist Don Azevedo Secretary:

Chairman positions:

Newsletter editor: Muriel Lundquist

Bill Schrambling and Don Azevedo Touring: Ed Archer (with Eric maintaining Membership:

the paper roster)

Web Master: Jon Alff (interim)

Nuts and Bolts: Doug Durein (with assistance from Bill

Cassiday)

Sunshine: Susan Durein

Hospitality: open Authenticity: open

All individuals accepted the appointments. By default, the Chairman of the Board is the outgoing president, Eric Lundquist. Jon is considering an additional chairman position of Public Relations and will pursue this assignment further.

#### Tours and Activities:

Whitney discussed the plans for the Holiday Tour. More information will be in the December newsletter.

Don will look into visiting the Walt Disney Museum in San Francisco on January 23.

Bill Schrambling will look into reserving the Brass Door for the Valentine Day Sweetheart Luncheon on Saturday, February 14th.

David Pava has offered to organize an overnight tour. The Board was very interested in promoting and attending the event if the tour has sufficient miles to warrant participating. Don will convey this information to Dave.

Nuts and Bolts: The November Nuts and Bolts was held at Doug Durein's garage in Alameda. Don read an e-mail sent after the event from new-member Jim Lukash. The message exemplified what the Nuts and Bolts sessions are designed to accomplish and how a club should use the members' wisdom and comradery to attract new members for club growth.

Health and Welfare: Susan emphasized everyone needs to notify her when they hear of a health concern with a Club

Web Site: Jon would like to find a member willing to be

the web master.

Membership Report: No report.

Gaslight Gazette: Muriel asked for newsletter contributions early soon as they are having a house full of company arriving soon and Thanksgiving is quickly approaching.

Authenticity Report: No report.

The logistics for the Christmas Party were discussed. Fred will handle the bar and bartending duties. John Morrison will see if Santa and his helper can make an appearance. Carolee has the set-up, dish washing duties and volunteers for the table decorations covered. Music and food are arranged. Reservations are being taken by Whitney. The donation of gifts for the Oakland Children's Hospital is in the works along with the delivery of the gifts on the 12th. Jon will provide green envelopes for those wanting to contribute a monetary gift for the purchase of presents for the children.

#### New Business:

The Board discussed the current practice of sending out the newsletter via e-mail to the majority of members (for a substantial cost savings) and by the Postal Service to those preferring a hard copy at a premium dues amount. The Board felt this has detrimentally affected member participation in tours and events and probably membership. The Board felt most members would prefer a hard copy of the newsletter. After considerable discussion, the Board decided to mail everyone a hard copy as well as e-mailing the newsletter. To soften the financial affect to the treasury, the Board also decided to raise the yearly dues from \$35 to \$45 for all members to cover mailing and production costs and eliminate the tiered dues practice. The editor will continue to e-mail the newsletter to other HCCA regional groups that trade newsletters.

Eric thanked the Board for the support he received as president during the year. The Board in turn thanked Eric for his leadership and hard work throughout the year.

The Board will not meet in December. The January Board meeting will be hosted by Fred Byl on January 20<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Don Azevedo

### BAHCC MEETING MINUTES

# **JANUARY 6, 2016**

The January meeting of the Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club was called to order by Vice President Whitney Haist at 7:30 pm as President Jon Alff is vacationing in Spain.

Minutes: Don read the minutes from the November club meeting. The minutes were accepted as read.

Treasury Report: Whitney reported the California State Franchise Tax Board has reviewed our incorporation documents. The Club's tax exempt status remains unchanged. Whitney also reports he had received 38 membership renewals prior to the meeting and more renewals have been given to him tonight.

Membership Report: No report.

Gaslight Gazette Report: The newsletter was a little late this month due to the holidays, family commitments and a house full of guests. There were also problems with the electronic mailing of the newsletter. Muriel explained the Board's recent decision to mail a hard copy of the newsletter to all members along with an electronic copy to those who provide an e-mail address.

Nuts & Bolts: Doug asked for someone to sponsor this month's Nuts and Bolts. Eric volunteered his warehouse in Burlingame where the group can help him get a Model T fire truck started and see the cars he wants to sell.

Authenticity: No report.

Health and Welfare: Doug reported Susan sent out two cards from the Club; one to David Pava and one to Don Azevedo. David's father recently passed away and Don experienced a mild heart attack.

Webmaster Report: Whitney reported we are trying to get the web site current. And expects Jon will be addressing this as soon as he returns from vacation.

Tours and Events: Don Azevedo reported on presenting the donated gifts to the Oakland Children's Hospital on December 19th. Ed brought his Auburn to help transport the gifts. The hospital staff was very appreciative with our donation. Don reported on the planned trip to the Walt Disney Family Museum in San Francisco on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. A sign-up sheet was passed around.

Bill Schrambling reported on the upcoming Valentine's Day Brunch on February 14th at Pier 29 Restaurant in Alameda. Weather permitting, members are encouraged to bring their antique cars as an impromptu tour on the island will occur after brunch. A sign-up sheet was passed around. Don Johnson and "associates" are working on a Green Brass Tour for March. A date and tour details are forthcoming.

Don Azevedo is working on a modern car trip to the Stockton area in April to visit a couple of museums.

Ed Harley reminded members of the Blackhawk Cars and Coffee event we are planning to join on Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. A tour after the car show is planned.

David Pava has invited our club to join his Shingle Springs tour on May 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Old Business: No old business.

New Business: Whitney presented Jon's thoughts of working with the Oakland Museum and the Pioneer Automobile. The Pioneer Automobile may be the first car manufactured in 1896 on the West Coast.

Doug Durein offered his thoughts on the recent Board decision to provide all members with hard copies of the newsletter each month and increase the dues to cover the additional costs. Numerous members offered their opinions. The Board will review the topic.

John Morrison reported on a 1914 Model T Ford pick-up that is for sale in the Seattle area. The son of former members Bill and Marion Nelson would like to sell the car.

The January Board meeting will be held at Fred Byl's hone at 7:30 on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

Refreshments: Joyce Azevedo asked for sign-ups for refreshments at the monthly club meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted by Don Azevedo, Secretary

