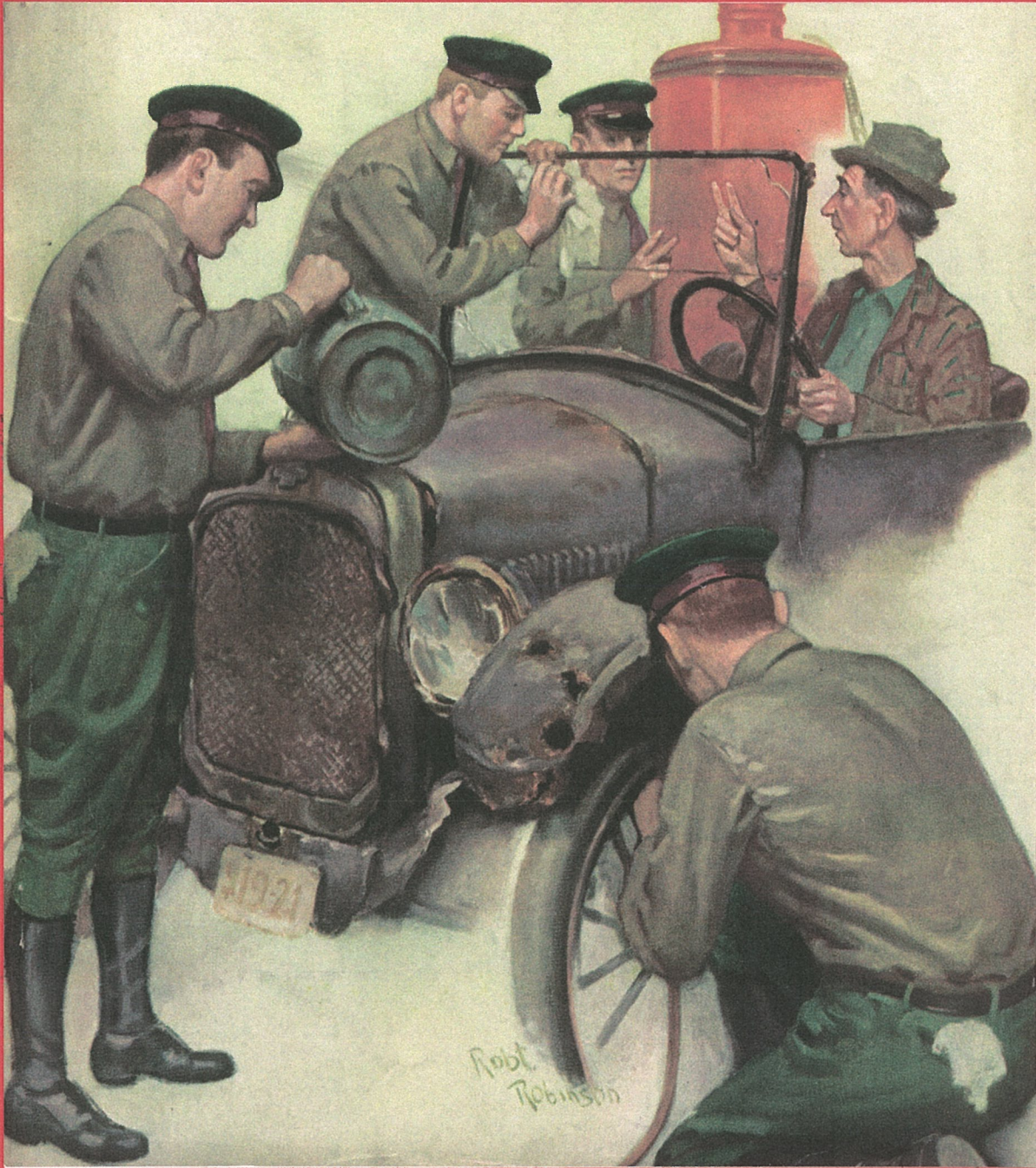
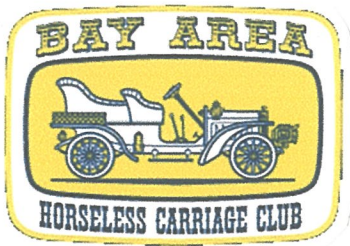


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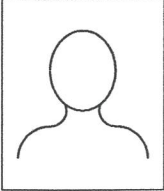
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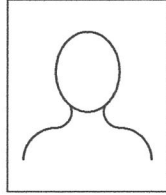
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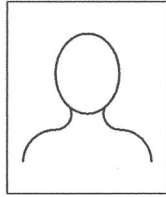
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GENERAL MEETINGS: First Wednesday at 7:30pm, monthly, (*except July & December - no meeting*) at the Piedmont Community Hall, 711 Highland Avenue, Piedmont, California. April and November are Potluck dinners starting at 6:30pm. Guests are always welcome. Special presentations at meetings.

BOARD MEETINGS: Monthly, see Calendar for schedule. All members welcome.

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EDITOR'S NOTES:

Dear Members,

I think (am hoping) the rain is behind us, but know that the touring season is upon us! Sign up for one or more of the numerous tours listed in the following pages and get that old car out of the garage! Just get ol' Betsy running for now, don't clean 'er up until *after* the Green Brass Tour.

I want to thank those who have submitted photos, stories, etc. I actually ran out of space for the March Gazette! (*An Editor's dream*) But please keep those submissions coming. As a native Californian, I know there may be a drought in the future.

Sincerely, Mark Cerruti, Editor

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Even though we are in the winter time with lots of rain, we had a very good attendance at the February meeting. Maybe it was the chili our ladies (Pam Johnson, Carolee Morrison, Kaaren Brommer and Joyce Azevedo) provided and maybe it was the interesting talk by Dan Erceg on the Osen & Hunt automobile. Of the four guests at the meeting, we had two individuals apply for membership! Growth is a good thing.

Speaking of growth, the Azevedo family has a new member! Joyce and I are grandparents as Alex's wife Jessica delivered a brand new baby on Sunday, February 12 while Joyce and I were ordering our lunch at the Valentine Luncheon in Alameda. RaeLynn Cherish Azevedo and mother are doing fine. It will be easy to remember her birthday as my mom also celebrated her 97th birthday on Sunday! A great-grand daughter makes a fine birthday present.

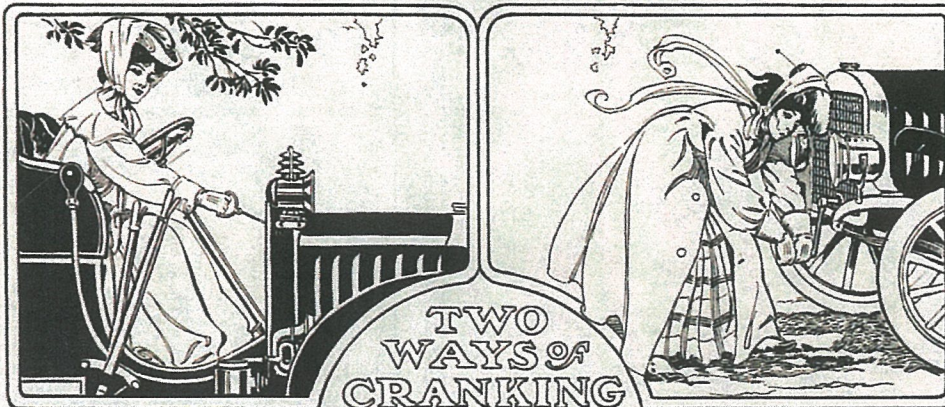
March will be a busy month. The month begins with the Club meeting on March 1st and our ladies explaining on how to prepare and pack for a tour. Then the National HCCA Convention in Oklahoma City that a few of us will attend (and the Chickasha swap meet following the Convention). We will return to attend the Green Brass Tour on Sunday, March 26th. We have a new route and destination that should be great. Beautiful lonely back roads just made for our cars, so dust off your pride and joy (but don't polish the brass) for a lovely tour and good pizza in Clayton.

We have two members working diligently on the September Bay Area Tour in Twain Harte. They started early and have almost everything finalized! If it has been awhile since you attended an overnight tour, then seriously consider our own Bay Area Tour for pre-16 cars. The efforts of Charles Ebers and Bill Cassiday should be rewarded with a good attendance. I know it will be an enjoyable tour. Join us as we tour the California Gold Rush communities like Twain Harte, Columbia, Murphys, Jamestown, Long Barn, Sonora, Tuolumne, and many others. The tour will have its ups and downs (hills) so be sure to check your brakes along with everything else.

Don Azevedo

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"This starts so easily that I love it."

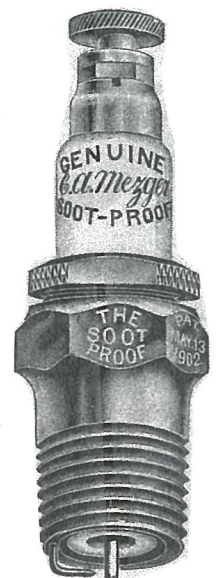
"This is what I hate about driving a car."

Many progressive builders are arranging to use our device and dispense with the starting crank on their new models. Don't buy a car with a starting crank, for next year it will be a worse back number than the rear entrance car.

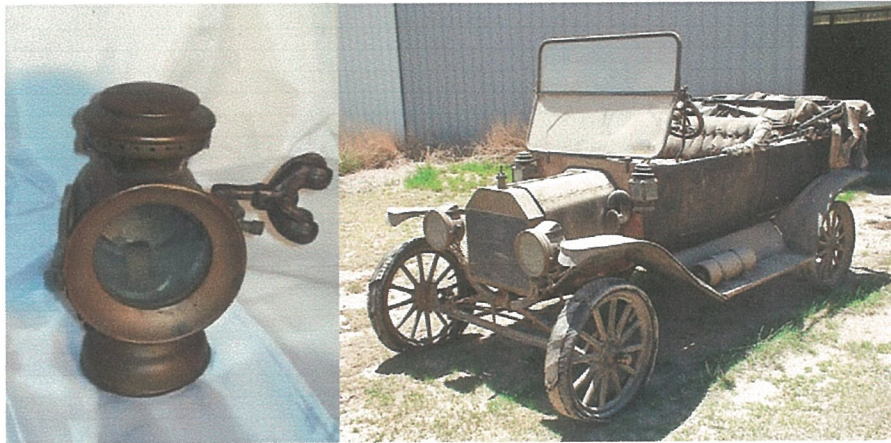
If you are tired of standing in the mud and cranking the engine of your old car, give us a description of it and we will see if it cannot be brought up to date in the matter of easy seat starting.

F. H. & F. O. BALL

Plainfield, N. J.



Annual Green Brass Tour



Join us on annual Green Brass Tour on Sunday, March 26 for a great back-roads trip from San Ramon to Clayton via Morgan Territory Road (and return). **Meet at the Park & Ride at Bollinger Canyon Road and 680 (west side of 680) at 9:30 for a 10:00 departure.** All cars are welcome. San Ramon to Clayton is 35 miles. No major hills on this tour. We will enjoy Skipolini's Pizza in Clayton. Drag your car out of storage-no washing or polishing of brass is necessary. Leave the patina on the brass (hence the title, Green Brass Tour). Tour coordinator is Don Azevedo 925.301.5315. Sign up at the March club meeting, or call Don so we will have enough donuts and coffee.



HELP WANTED

Dear friends,

I am looking for a volunteer among you willing to help me with one aspect of the club's annual Christmas Party. It has to do with storing the somewhat heavy 4 or 5 boxes of dishes during the year, then getting them to the Piedmont Community Hall on the second Wednesday of each December (typically about 11:00 a.m. but time may vary from year to year), unloading the boxes there and bringing them inside, then at the end of the evening loading them back up (typically about 9:30 p.m.) and taking them back 'til the following year.

John Morrison

Typewriting while driving



SACRAMENTO MODEL T CLUB

Invites Mother Lode Model T Club plus NorCal and BA HCCA to:

POOR REDS LUNCH TOUR – SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2017

We will meet in the Cameron Park Safeway Parking Lot at 10 AM for a 10:15 departure.
Cameron Park Drive Exit - South off 50 – Restrooms and Trailer Parking Available

There will be a 20 mile back road to tour to lunch – and an optional stop after lunch.

No cost other than what you order from their full menu - with separate checks.



It is important that you let me know if you are coming so there will be enough seating. If you arrive without an RSVP you will be the last to be seated and only on a space available basis.

Please RSVP by May 18, to David or Patricia Pava 530—677-2923 or David@Pava.com

Old News (Better Than No News)

from January 25, 1915 issue of *Automobile Journal*

Goodyear Gets Big Shipment of Rubber

The first shipment by any rubber manufacturer of crude rubber from the Far East since the embargo was laid by England, was received January 22 by the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, Akron, O. A train load, consisting of 500 tons of the product in 23 cars, arrived on that day. The Goodyear Company also has 500 tons on board the Lusitania, due in a few days, and this will be the second receipted shipment since England lifted the embargo. (Ed. Note: The Lusitania was sunk on Friday, May 7, 1915.)

Automobiles in South Dakota

The automobile registration for South Dakota for 1914 showed a material increase over that of 1913. The total number of Owner's licenses was 20,929, compared with 14,452 in 1913; the number of dealer's licenses were 491 last year, compared with 298 for the previous year, and the motorcycle licenses increased from 1212 in 1913 to 1733 in 1914.

Goodrich Making Millimeters

The B. F. Goodrich Company, Akron, O. has imported a millimeter mold and is making millimeter solid tires. This action was taken in order to help out its plant in Columbus, France, as 350 of the employees of this company under 45 years of age have gone to war.

Hudson Sales \$7,500,000

For the five months period ending Dec. 1 1914, the Hudson Motor Car Company, Detroit, Mich., made a sales record of \$7,500,000, according to statements issued by the company. This amount compares with \$3,000,000 in the corresponding period of 1913. There are now 10,000 Hudsons of the light six type in use in 43 different countries.

Asks Aid For Soldiers

The Touring Club de France, through Leon Auscher, has appealed to Americans for financial assistance. The club has formed a committee for soldiers and has devised a gift package. This package costs 10 francs and contains a water proof garment, trench shoes, a map of the scene of operation, tobacco, pipes, cigarettes, etc. It is for the purpose of these packages that the club solicits money.

Want 15-Minute Law Changed

The present rule that limits the time that a car may stand in Main Street, Worcester, Mass., to 15 minutes is being hotly contested in an endeavor to obtain modification by the automobile interests of the city. The chamber of commerce has joined in the fight and it is believed probable that a 30-minute rule will be substituted.

REO's 1914 Profits \$2,539,187

For the 14 months ending Oct. 31, 1914, consisting of the company's fiscal year, the REO Motor Car Company, Lansing, Mich., reports a net profit of \$2,539,187. The extra two months are included owing to the change of the fiscal year from August to October. The company's assets now total \$5,120,782, and a surplus on hand of \$1,692,082 is shown in the latest report.

Price of Gas Reduced

The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey has announced a reduction of one cent a gallon in the whole sale price of gasoline. The price is now 13 ½ cents a gallon and kerosene at eight.

Pope Plant Finally Sold

The main plant of the Pope Manufacturing Company, Hartford, Conn., has been sold to the Pratt & Whitney Company, that city. A certified check of \$300,000 was turned over to the receiver, the court passed on the sale and the deed was immediately transferred. The new plant, which will employ 600 men, will be used to complete the Pratt & Whitney Company's \$2,000,000 contract with the Chinese government for armory and arsenal machinery.

Submitted by Don Azevedo

Blackhawk Car Show and Diablo Countryside Tour



Sunday, May 7, 2017

7:00AM – 2:00PM

5 Events - 40 miles (4 cylinders) or 20 miles (1 & 2 Cylinders)

Suitable for ALL brass-era cars - Abundant Trailer Parking - Period Attire

#1 You will be ENERGIZED by displaying your car and by talking with 1500+ other car owners and car enthusiasts at the Blackhawk Museum's Cars and Coffee event.



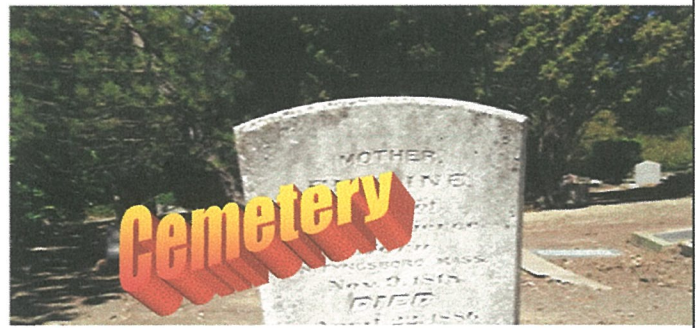
#2 You will be MESMERIZED by the vistas and by the quiet as we tour in the shadows of Mount Diablo.



#3 You will be FERTILIZED by a picnic lunch on the grounds of the Tassajara Grammar school, established in 1889.



#4 You will be EULOGIZED as a docent shares the history of the early settlers of the San Ramon Valley.



#5 You will be DANVILLEIZED by the drive through historic downtown Danville



Reserve your spot today

Tour co-chairman

Ed Harley: eparley@pacbell.net

Whitney Haist: haist2@comcast.net

\$15 donation for
picnic lunch and cemetery tour

Nuts & Bolts

February 4th, 2017

About a dozen or so members and guests gathered at the Haist Carriage House in Orinda to check out Gerry Robinson's rear end, . . . from his 1914 Model 10 Buick. Whitney Haist, Don Azevedo, and a few other members assisted Gerry in the disassembly of the differential. They examined the parts for wear and made decisions for the next step in completing the project, while others enjoyed the coffee & doughnuts.

As a side-bar, AACA member Bob Galloway brought his newly acquired 1920 International Model M "hit-n-miss" engine. Bob, with the help of others, attempted to start the old engine, but to no avail.

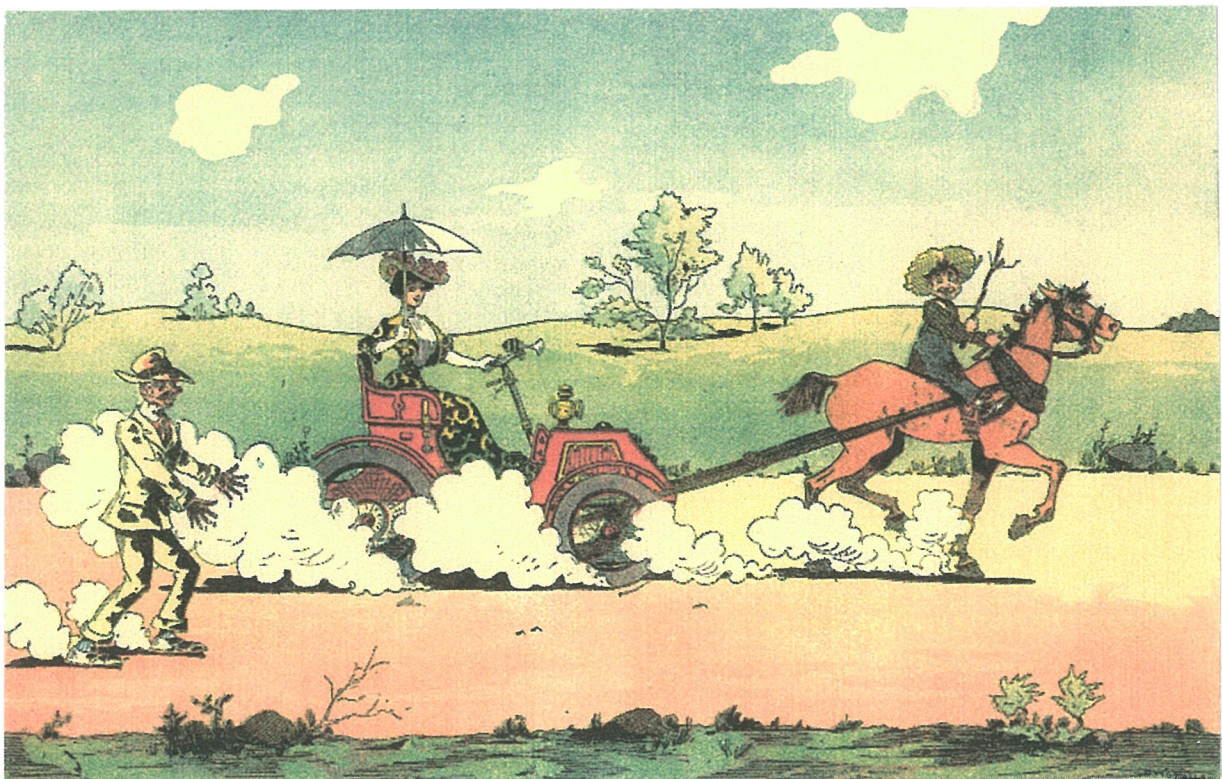
A special *Thank You* to Whitney & Diane for hosting the group.

Mark Cerruti



Gerry and Whitney getting their hands dirty

*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 four good tires
They can go and stop on a dime.
Crank her up as she runs so refined.
Genelle Azevedo*



Courtesy of Sam Gurnee

FROM THE BACKSEAT

What a wonderful day, Sunday, February 12, 2017, turned out to be – especially for a leisurely tour of historic Alameda with blue skies, calm water and little traffic.

Bill Schrambling and Alaine staged a generous welcome morning table of coffee plus delicious veggie and cookie treats while we circled the cars – six in all; a Reo, two Studebakers (one electric), a Cadillac, a Chevrolet truck and a Model T Roadster.

Doug Durein offered us (backseat passengers) a running commentary (as outlined on his drivers' direction sheet). And what a busy place this end of the island turned out to be.

There are deep water docks, a sailors' old pub hangout, lots of old buildings echoing a military past (the PX, officers' club dance hall and swimming pool, city hall, movie theatre, and bus coach works shops), spectacular views of the bridges, San Francisco and the Bay from the shoreline parking lot near the



NAS East Gate, an active skateboard park, new businesses involving wine and distilling, four supersize indoor soccer fields plus gaming and rock-wall climbing, a local antique auction house, many old naval officers homes {Did anyone notice the “ramps” leading up to the garages? – maybe some sea level flooding to deal with?}, and the looming collection of “Ready Reserve” Navy ships, including the Hornet – WOW!

And speaking of fun tour activities – you should ask about the “race” near the NAS Museum – on the old runway near the Seaplane Lagoon ----- yes ! the old cars literally “flew” down the concrete. So, as our hour had passed, we drove back by the lovely old Victorian homes and bayside villas arriving at the Pier 29 Restaurant where a tasty (your choice) luncheon was offered – topped off with red

Valentine wishes and sweet chocolate candies.

One additional bonus marked this special celebration – the announcement (happening just as we entered the eatery) that Don and Joyce Azevedo's son and daughter-in-law has just delivered a sweet, beautiful baby granddaughter. Congrats to the new Mom and Dad.

A toast to everyone who made this marvelous day happen – along with our grateful thank you to Doug Durein for sharing his Reo backseat with us.

Story by Bill and Kaaren Brommer



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Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club
Presents:

2017 Bay Area Tour

for pre-1916 cars

Twain Harte, California

September 11-14, 2017

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(209) 677-3057
(check payable to BAHCC)

**SAVE THE
DATE!**

Dorothy Levitt-The Fastest Girl on Earth

Back in the time when cars were in their infancy, drivers, especially lady drivers, were few and far between. A driver needed brains and brawn to drive those beasts and hold them on what was called a road but was in reality, just a wagon trail. Men drove and women rode along.... that was the norm. That is, until Dorothy Levitt came along. Dorothy Levitt was described as a "beautiful secretary with long legs and eyes like pools". She was an accomplished equestrian, even participating in steeplechase events. While working as a secretary at the Napier & Son works in Lambeth, England she somehow met Selwyn Edge who was into building racing cars. Since they both seemed to like to be in the public eye, she agreed to compete as a racecar driver. Some speculate that Edge wanted a woman driver because he was pushing that his racecar was something that "even women could manage driving it". By hiring Ms. Levitt as his personal assistant, he could gain some publicity for the company and it wasn't long before her career in motoring took off as she learned to drive, then, racecars. Edge encouraged her to make automobile driving her career and even arranged for her to do a six-month apprenticeship to a French automobile maker. There she learned all aspects of building and driving cars and upon her return to London, she began teaching women how to drive. Some of her students included Queen Alexandra, the Royal Princesses (Louise, Victoria and Maud) and other ladies of nobility. She also taught American female tourists.

In 1903, she became one of the first women to race. Some believed her driving was just a publicity stunt, but she was serious about her newfound talents and the fact that she won many races kept her on the road. She also raced boats, learned how to fly planes and also kept riding her horses. She once said managing a car was easier than wrangling a horse. Her race career continued on for many years until her health began to fail.

In the beginning women who drove were almost expected to dress like men, act like men and be as masculine as they could. Most women wore the garments of the men and kept their faces and ears covered. Their leather coats were masculine in design and sometimes no one knew they were with a woman driver until the woman spoke, giving away her gender. Such is not the case with Levitt. She raced in flattering, feminine clothes with coordinating hats and veils. She designed a lightweight coat of her own design and her blue motoring coat was the pre-cursor to the very popular duster that protected women's clothing.

Despite her feminine demeanor and attire, she was a tough cookie on the racecourse. She had a reputation of being fast and was called "a scorcher" which was the name given to those who delighted in exceeding the speed limit and evading the police. She often got in trouble with the law when she drove the streets of London as if she were still on a race.

In 1904, Dorothy won two medals at the Southport Speed Trials in Blackpool, driving a 50 horse-power Napier racecar. The publisher of her book, "The Woman and The Car" reproduced in 2014, included some excerpts from her diary as a part of its introduction. These diary entries included details of her automobile races, the prizes she won and personal comments such as "will do better next time." In a 1906 interview, she said she love auto racing and balanced her need for speed with quiet time trout fishing. She was a woman of diverse interests and talents. She loved to play poker and vowed to one day "break the bank" at Monte Carlo.

We would all like to have met her and known her but she died in 1922 at the age of 40. However, she wrote a book called *The Woman and The Car: A Chatty Little Handbook for All Women Who Motor or Want to Motor*. Throughout her book, she encourages women drivers to believe in themselves as they have

the intelligence and understanding to drive as well as repair their own cars. At the time her book was published, (1909) women were legally second-class citizens so she was way ahead of her time.



Below are some of her top tips:

- Don't be afraid of your car
- Dress well (and don't be afraid to be feminine)
- Stock your glove compartment (which you'll find under the seat) and besides the hair pins, handkerchief and clean gloves, don't forget some chocolate would be nice)
- Keep a hand mirror close to you as you may wish to look behind you while driving. (The rear view mirror, patented in 1914) probably came from her idea
- Whilst driving, always keep a cool head
- Never for a second, allow your memory to lapse
- Always regard pedestrians, whether makes, females or infants as uncertain in their possible actions.
- Never take it for granted that the other driver will certainly do the right thing.
- Never allow yourself to get flurried in the face of danger and remember that your coolness may save the situation
- Never to anything that will prompt you to say you did not dream that such a thing might happen.
- You can fix your own car
- Don't forget your gun. Levitt recommended an automatic Colt
- Always let your clutch in gently-thus you will keep your tyre bills down and
- Never give the impression you are lolling behind the wheel.

Excerpts from Beulier Motor Museum's "Women in Motorsport & Social History: Dorothy Levitt"

Wikipedia.org
Smithsonian.com (article by Kat Eschner, January 5, 2017)

The Woman and the Car: A Chatty Little Handbook for All Women Who Motor or Want to Motor, Dorothy Levitt. Originally published, 1909. Reprints available on eBay and Amazon.com (Republished in 2014)

Information compiled by: Joyce Azevedo

The January 21 Train Trip/Tour

In spite of predicted bad weather, the trip started from San Jose on Saturday at 8 AM and when it left Martinez there were 117 participants from 8 car clubs in total on the train including the 40 or so who boarded at 10 AM. Almost immediately, the train stopped as the center span draw bridge over the Sacramento River was lifted to allow an oil tanker its right of way. What seemed like many minutes later, we were on the way to Old Town Sacramento. One of the sights as we continued to Suisun City were the few remaining ships from the once huge Navy Mothball Fleet. After a very brief stop there, we continued to Davis for the remaining stop before disembarking at the Sacramento Train station. It was a short walk to the location where most of the tour had lunch at Joe's Crab Shack.



After lunch was served, those who were not going on to other museums and attractions made their way back to and forth from the California Auto Museum for another visit. Again in spite of predicted rain and some falling during the afternoon, everyone seemed to have a good time



and passengers boarded the first train back at 3:55 with the rest at 5:40.

As is usual with the group from the Martinez station (well 20 of them), dinner was held once again at the La Tapatia Mexican restaurant where participants were able to further compare notes of the trip and special experiences. All in all, it was a most enjoyable day and trip.

Bill Schrambling



Happy Birthday!

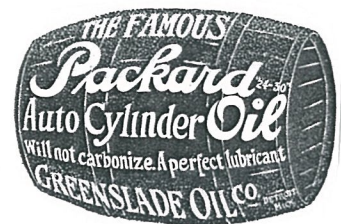
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Gary Borges	March 3
Carol O'Neil	March 3
Ed Archer	March 4
John Pearson	March 5
Linda Sheldon	March 8
Norman Schwartz	March 10
Paul Bittner	March 12
Gene Hironimus	March 13
Mark Cerruti	March 14
Brian Harlamoff	March 15
Bob Rosen	March 20
Jim Hardin	March 27

Happy Anniversary!

Lloyd & Jane Riggs	March 1st, 1952
Don & Pam Johnson	March 7th, 1964
Wayne & Linda Sheldon	March 19th, 1977
Ron & Bea Reak	March 21st, 1964
Curtis & Diane Marin	March 25th, 1977
John & Amelia Alff	March 31st,
Wes & Henrietta Crowell	March 31st, 1992

BAKERSFIELD SWAP MEET

April 6 - 8





BAHCC Club Meetings Calendar

Managed by Ed Harley, V.P. epharley@pacbell.net 925-838-7460

Month	Date/Day	Events	Speaker/ Special Event
Mar 2017	Mar 1 - Wed	Club Meeting	Carolee Morrison, Karen Archer, and others will talk about what they pack when they leave on tour. Come to the meeting and learn from these experienced tourers what should be in your bag. BREAKING NEWS: The women are planning a fun skit, rather than speeches. All women are encouraged to attend this meeting to laugh with their fellow female travelers about their packing woes.
	Mar 11-15	HCCA Natl	Annual Meeting (4 Days) in Oklahoma City
	Mar 22 - Wed	BOD Meeting	Christine Crowell's home
Apr 2017	Apr 5 - Wed	Club Meeting	Potluck Dinner and Parts Auction
	Apr 19 - Wed	BOD Meeting	Ed Archer's home
May 2017	May 3 - Wed	Club Meeting	On September 21, 2011, ten days after '911', Gary Larson flew to NYC as a Red Cross Volunteer. Come to the meeting and hear what Gary did for the next three weeks working at 'Ground Zero.'
	May 17- Wed	BOD Meeting	Ed Archer's home
Jun 2017	Jun 7 - Wed	Club Meeting	Our speaker, Dr. Mike Barricks, as a 15-year-old, was the 1955 winner of the Fisher Body Craftsman's Guild national auto competition for teenagers to design and build a scale (1/12) model of their 'dream car. Come to the meeting, SEE THE WINNING MODEL, and listen to Mike's story
	Jun 14 - Wed	BOD Meeting	Whitney Haist's home
Jul	NO Meetings		
Aug 2017	Aug 2 - Wed	Club Meeting	Mark Cerruti's home
	Aug 16 - Wed	BOD Meeting	
Sep 2017	Sep 6 - Wed	Club Meeting	
	Sep 20 - Wed	BOD Meeting	
Oct 2017	Oct 4 - Wed	Club Meeting	Mark Cerruti's home
	Oct 18 - Wed	BOD Meeting	
Nov 2017	Nov 1 - Wed	Club Meeting	Potluck Dinner
	Nov 15 - Wed	BOD Meeting	Joint Board Meeting and Dinner at the Brass Door, San Ramon
Dec 2017	Dec 13 - Wed	Holiday Party	Dinner & Dancing
Jan 2018	Jan 3 - Wed	Club Meeting	
	Jan 17 - Wed	BOD Meeting	
Feb 2018	Feb 7 - Wed	Club Meeting	
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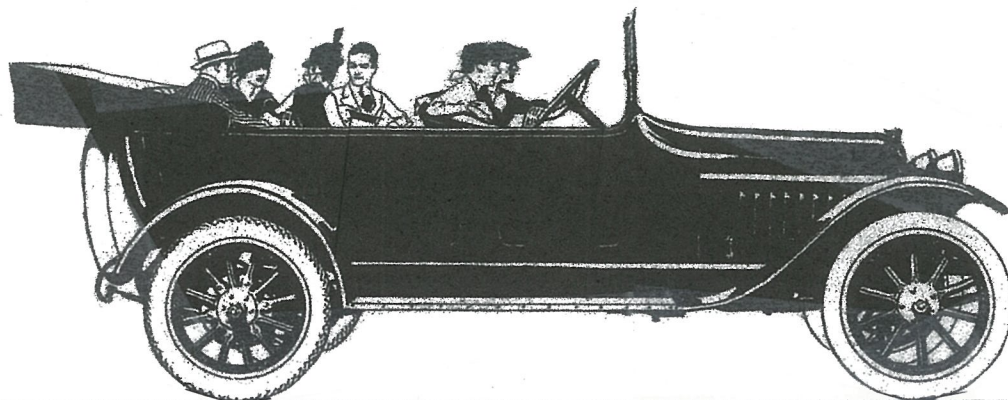
Please contact Ed Harley if you want to speak at a future club meeting



BAHCC Tour Calendar

Managed by Bill Schrambling, Tour Director. weschram@pacbell.net 925-228-1168

Month	Date/Day	Events	Tour Leader	Details
Mar 2017	Mar 4 - Sat	Nuts and Bolts		None
	Mar 26 - Sun	Tour	Azevedo	Green Brass Tour around Mount Diablo
Apr 2017	Apr 8 - Sat	Nuts and Bolts		None
May 2017	May 6 - Sat	Nuts and Bolts		Brommer's Garage, Castro Valley
	May 7 - Sun	Tour and lunch	Harley & Haist	Blackhawk Car Show and Diablo Countryside tour
	May 21-Sun	Poor Reds Lunch Tour	Pava	Meet at Cameron Park Safeway Parking Lot at 10AM for a 10:15 departure of 20 miles back Roads to lunch - no cost except lunch.
June 2017	June 3 - 4	Swanton HC Campout Tour	Harlamoff & Tremain	Campout in Swanton, details in February Gazette
	Jun 10 - Sat	Nuts and Bolts		Tentative
July 2017	Jul 4 th -Tue	Parade	Morrison	Piedmont parade and party at John and Carolee's home
Aug 2017				
Sept 2017	Sep 9 - Sat	Car Show	??	Antique Autos in History Park
	Sep 11-14	Bay Area Tour	Ebers	Join us in Twain Harte as Charles Ebers has planned a great tour of the Sierra foothills. This is a pre-'16 tour.





BAHCC Philanthropic Calendar

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Month	Date/Day	Events ¹	Speaker/ Special Event
March 2017			
Apr 2017			
May 2017	May 7 - Sun	Blackhawk Car Show and Diablo Countryside Tour	We will be accepting donations for Hot Wheel cars for children in the care of the UCSF - Benioff Children's Hospital in Oakland. The Hospital gives out 5,000 Hot Wheels each year. The BAHCC wants to help this effort. We will be accepting donations at the event. If you can't make it to the Cars and Coffee BAHCC Tour, please give a few bucks to anyone on the tour and we'll see that it goes to bringing a smile to the kids.
Jun 2017			
Jul 2017	July 4 - Tue	4 th of July Party at John Morrison's	After participating in the City of Piedmont 4 th of July Parade, we will gather at John and Carolee Morrison's home for a potluck lunch. Participants are encouraged to bring a new toy or gift for the children at the UCSF - Benioff Children's Hospital in Oakland. We will deliver the toys to the hospital in antique cars.
Aug 2017			
Sep 2017	Sept 10 - Sun	History Park event in San Jose	BAHCC members offer costumes to the attendees of History Park for a photo shoot in one of our brass-era cars to raise money for the Education Fund.
Oct 2017			
Nov 2017			
Dec 2017	Dec 13 - Wed	BAHCC Holiday Party	Participants are encouraged to bring a new toy or gift for the children at the UCSF - Benioff Children's Hospital in Oakland. We will deliver the toys to the hospital in antique cars.



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Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club General Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2017

Call to order—After a delicious Chili Feed, the meeting was called to order by President Don Azevedo at 7:45 p.m.

Visitors/Guests—Guests present were Anthony Drewitz, Frank Swenson and Steve Jackson, all of whom received new membership applications. Tonight's speaker, Dan Erceg is also a guest.

Kudos—Don gave kudos to Pam Johnson, Kaaren Brommer, Carolee Morrison and Joyce Azevedo for making the chili dishes, to Mark Cerruti for an excellent newsletter, to Ed and Carolyn Harley for helping with the mailing of the gazette, to Ed Archer for all his coordination of the January 21st Sacramento train trip, to Ed Harley, Bill Schrambling and Christine Crowell for handling the club's new format of three separate calendars in the gazette, to Doug Durein and Bill Cassidy for putting on the last Nuts and Bolts, to Norman Schwartz for his talk on the London to Brighton Run and to Pam Johnson and Bill Cassidy for the refreshments.

Last month's minutes approval—There was a correction of the date for upcoming Bay Area Twain Harte Tour. Correct date is September 11 – 14, 2017. Minutes were then approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report—Treasurer Whitney Haist reported that he filed the club's 2016 tax return.

Nuts and Bolts—It will be at the Haists' in Orinda from 9:00 – 12:00 and will involve working on and checking out two automobile rear-ends, one of which belongs to Gerald Robinson.

Calendars—Tours/Activities, Bill Schrambling

Past: Train trip to Old Sacramento—We got together with several other car clubs (for a total of approximately 117 adults and kids. Some boarded in San Jose, and others in Oakland and Martinez. Many ate lunch at Joe's Crab Shack in Old Sacramento, we visited whatever museums we wanted to see in the area as well as other attractions, and many ate dinner in Martinez at a fine dining Mexican Restaurant—a very enjoyable day.

Future: Valentine Lunch February 12—Present plan is we will meet in Alameda at Pier 29 and, weather permitting, Doug Durein will lead us on a tour to various points of interest in and around Alameda including the Hornet, after which we will meet back at Pier 29 about 2:00 for a late lunch together. Bill Schrambling hopes to have an East Bay Times photographer present.

Green Brass Tour March 26—Don Azevedo will lead us on a route from Bollinger Canyon toward Mount Diablo pending good weather. More details to follow.

Bodega Bay Sunday, April 9—(day after Bakersfield) Fishermen's Festival—We are invited by the Santa Rosa Regional Group.

Black Hawk Cars and Coffee, May 7—7:00 a.m. arrival time. There will be from 1,500 to 2,000 people present. Costumes are preferred for us, and there will be a short tour afterwards with 2 routes, one for 1&2 Cylinder cars and one for big cars, weather permitting.

Calendars, continued—Meetings (Ed Harley is responsible for this calendar.)

March Meeting (Ed Harley is responsible for a speaker or an activity for all general meeting.)

At the March meeting he has arranged for some of our more experienced touring wives to present ideas on planning for a tour-- what to bring.

April Meeting: Pot Luck Dinner/Parts auction

Philanthropic Activities Calendar (Christine Crowell is in charge of this calendar.) At the Black Hawk Cars and Coffee we will be working to raise money towards the purchase of hot wheel cars used by Children's Hospital. (There will be more information on this effort next month.)

Web site—no report

Membership—Ed Archer reported he has received one new membership application and dues check. He also reported there are still 27 members not paid for 2017 and that he will contact them.

Authenticity—by Ed Archer, "Most of us are authentic."

Sunshine Report—as reported by Doug for Susan Durein, "No news is good news."

Old Business—none

New Business—After more than twenty years of putting on the BAHCC Christmas Party, John said that he and Carolee feel the need to ask for some serious help with this annual event. More about this request will appear in the Gazette, but the main issue is that the boxes of dishes, silverware, etc. are now too heavy for John to store, lift, load into the truck, bring to the event, load and bring back afterwards, and put in storage again.

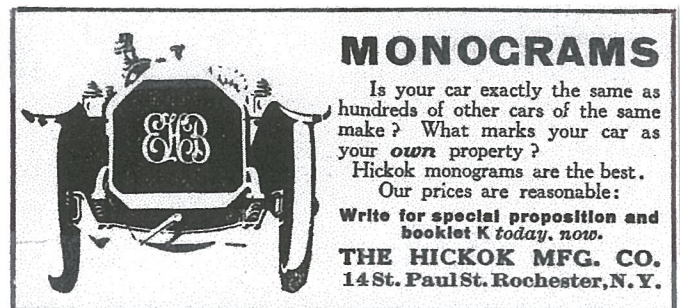
Ed Archer announced that there is another event which is coming up on February 25th at the Candy Store in Burlingame, a chance to just show up and visit beginning at 10:30 a.m..

Entertainment—Tonight's entertainment will be a talk by Mr. Dan Erceg about the first car to have ever been produced in San Jose, CA, where the car has been all through the years, and how it recently ended up in permanent display in the San Jose Transportation Museum at Kelly Park.

Adjournment—Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Morrison, Secretary



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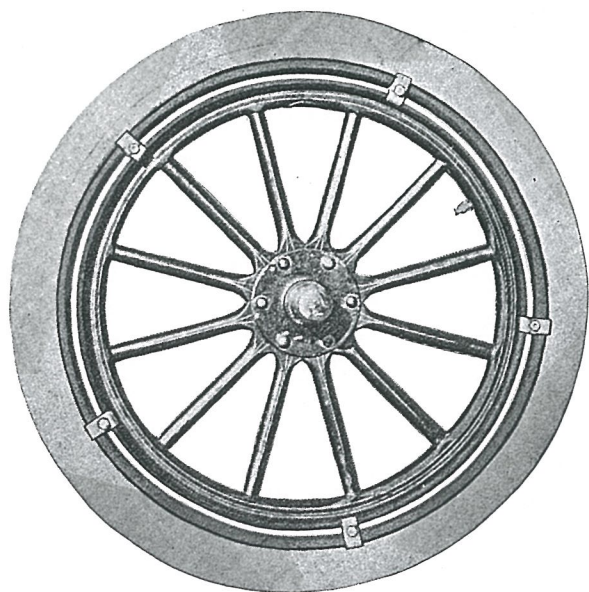
Vice President Ed Harley called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. in the absence of President Don Azevedo, who was stuck in traffic. The meeting was held at the Morrisons' home in Piedmont. All other board members were present, and Johnny Crowell attended as a guest.

Approval of the Minutes of the board meeting of January 18, 2017—These minutes had been mailed out in advance of tonight's meeting and had already been read by the board members. No one had any corrections or omissions to suggest. Whitney Haist moved and Bill Schrambling seconded that the minutes be approved as sent. The motion was passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report—Treasurer Whitney Haist said he had not done anything new since his last report. He also stated that Wells Fargo Bank had rescinded the recent checking account fees that had been charged and that the problem had been resolved, so he felt comfortable staying with Wells Fargo at this point.

Membership Report—President Don Azevedo arrived, was brought up to date on the meeting's progress so far, and he called on Membership Chairman Ed Archer, who reported that we still have about 12 members who haven't renewed with their 2017 dues check. He also reported he currently has 3 new memberships in the works. Two have submitted applications— Anthony Drewitz (no brass car yet but interested in obtaining one) and Steven Jackson (1915 Model T Runabout). One or possibly both may still need to join the HCCA as required by all regional groups. After discussion, John Morrison moved and Ed Harley seconded that Anthony Drewitz be approved for membership conditional on his having his HCCA membership number within thirty days of this meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Ed Harley made the same basic motion to approve Steven Jackson for BAHCC membership conditional upon our receiving his HCCA membership number within thirty days. Whitney Haist seconded and the motion was approved unanimously. The third person interested in becoming a BAHCC member is Frank Swenson (1915 Ford Touring). He will need to send Ed Archer his completed membership application and dues check plus join HCCA, which will complete the application process.

Tours, Activities and Meetings— Don described the upcoming Green Brass Tour—Sunday, March 26th. We will take Morgan Territory Rd. from San Ramon to Clayton for lunch and return. Meeting point will be at the Park and Ride at Bollinger Canyon Rd. and 680 (west side of 680) at 9:30. Johnny Crowell suggested we consider inviting a local region of the Classic Car Club of America to join us if they would like. The consensus was yes, Johnny to invite. Bill Schrambling asked of other new ones; Don Azevedo mentioned the Fishermen's Festival which is the day after the Bakersfield Swap Meet in April.



Also on Sunday, May 21 there is a one-day tour in conjunction with the Sacramento Model T Club, Mother Lode Model T Club, NorCal HCC and BAHCC ("Poor Red's Lunch Tour"). Dave Pava sent fliers inviting us (BAHCC) to be a part of it. Whitney also mentioned he would be willing to explore adding something to the front end of it so it could become an overnight event. All cars are welcome. Ed Harley mentioned information about some of the upcoming activities for entertainment at our monthly BAHCC meetings. The one for March 1 will feature several of the wives talking about how and what to pack for going on tours, and it will also feature a skit. On May 3 Ed has arranged for Gary Larson to report on his three weeks of involvement in helping in the aftermath of the 9/11 tragedy. On June 7 Ed has arranged with Dr. Mike

Barricks to tell us of his involvement in the 1954 and 1955 Body by Fisher national youth design contest of cars of the future. This annual activity at the time involved more boys than any other organized activity except for the Boy Scouts of America! Ed Harley suggested that our club meeting business should be kept short to accommodate the speakers and so that people will still have time and energy to be a good audience. Ed also described the upcoming Cars and Coffee event at Blackhawk and the communications he has had with the Blackhawk organizer(s). They are very interested and appreciative of the BAHCC's involvement in these events. The upcoming Cars and Coffee also has a philanthropic aspect about it where we will try to raise money to help fund hot wheel cars for Children's Hospital. Christine Crowell reported she has reached out to the appropriate staff at Children's for more information and she hopes to hear back soon in order to be able to coordinate details.

Nuts and Bolts—Brommers' house for March (reinstall the '12 Ford engine into the car). Johnny Crowell suggested we occasionally plan a visitation to a collection, or have various other possible events in lieu of Nuts and Bolts when none are planned or in addition to Nuts and Bolts when there are no other tours coming right up. Consensus was this is a very good idea. They could be advertised in the Gazette. Several potential ideas were mentioned (a local machine shop, something at Contra Costa College, various collections and interesting garages that various of us know about, a visit to see an early, very rare restored Stanley Steamer Gentleman's Racer about to be fired up for the first time, which is the culmination of a story more than 60 years in the making).

Website—The webmaster's name is Mark Wheeler. At the moment it is down except for the front page. The Webmaster will be contacted.

Gaslight Gazette—Editor Mark Cerruti said it is going well. For January, 2017 he said he had 83 copies printed and the cost of that was \$244. And for February he had 70 made for a cost of \$172 (but there was more black and white in that edition). He will send a card that will ask members to receive it online or to notify him if they only want a hard copy every time. (This will help reduce cost; so far 22 have volunteered to receive it online.) Don asked Mark about the Member's Spotlight idea. So far two members have written one and sent it to Mark; many more will be needed. Mark said he needs a monthly deadline of the 23rd of each month with a possible delay of a day or two if it can't be avoided.

Authenticity Report—Ed Archer reported that nothing was new.

Old Business—The question arose as to what our rent is for the Piedmont Community Hall. Whitney said it is the same as last year, \$100/meeting night, and that it is the same for the pot-luck nights and the Christmas Party as well (now that the latter is not on a week-end night). We discussed pros and cons of having a list of the cars in our roster, but not associated with anyone's name. Ed does plan to list the cars but not associated with anyone's names.

New Business—There was no new business.

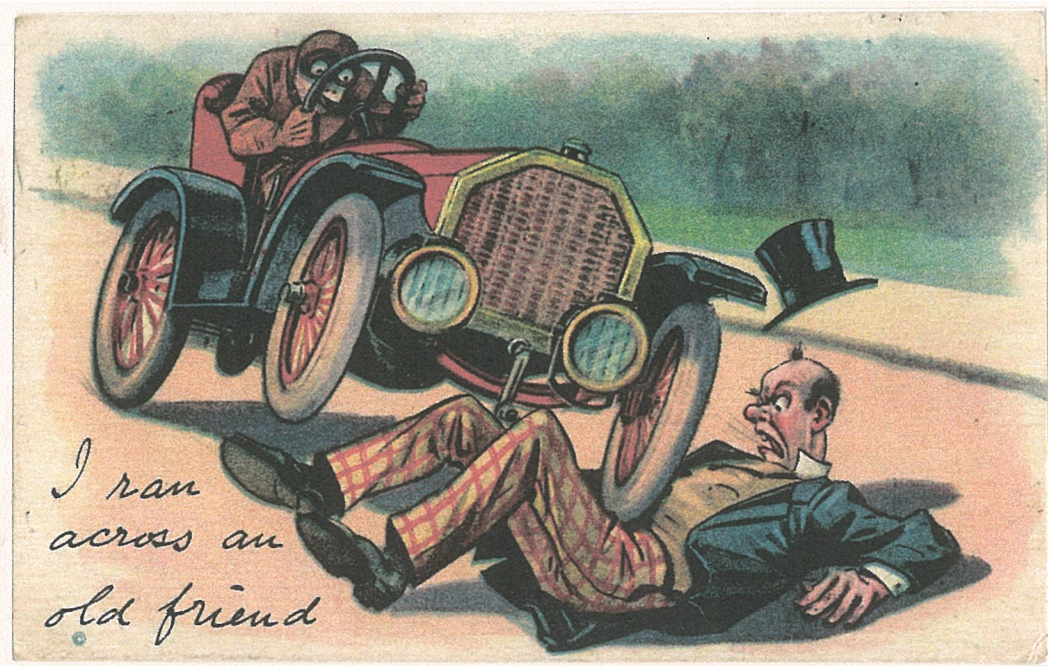
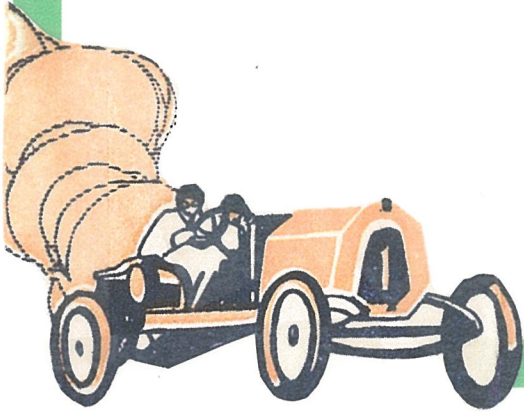
Meeting adjournment—The meeting was adjourned at 8:45p.m.

Note: The March board meeting will be at Christine and Johnny Crowell's home on March 22 at 7:30 (because of various board members' being away in Oklahoma the week before).

Respectfully submitted, John Morrison, Secretary

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