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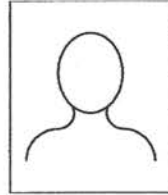
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The BAY AREA HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB (BAHCC) was founded in 1951 by and for automobile antiquarians dedicated to the preservation of pre-1916 motor vehicles. The BAHCC is one of numerous Regional Groups of the Horseless Carriage Club of America, (HCCA) which has 4500 members worldwide. HCCA membership is required of all active touring BAHCC members, but is not required for "Associate" members. New membership into our club is invited.

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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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

November is here already! We returned from Hershey and had a great time. The weather is always in question and this year it was fabulous! One evening a few rain drops fell to settle the dust and it did not dampen sellers or buyers. A few treasures were found and many visits with friends. I hear our Club was in capable hands with both the president and secretary gone. Thanks to all that pitched in.

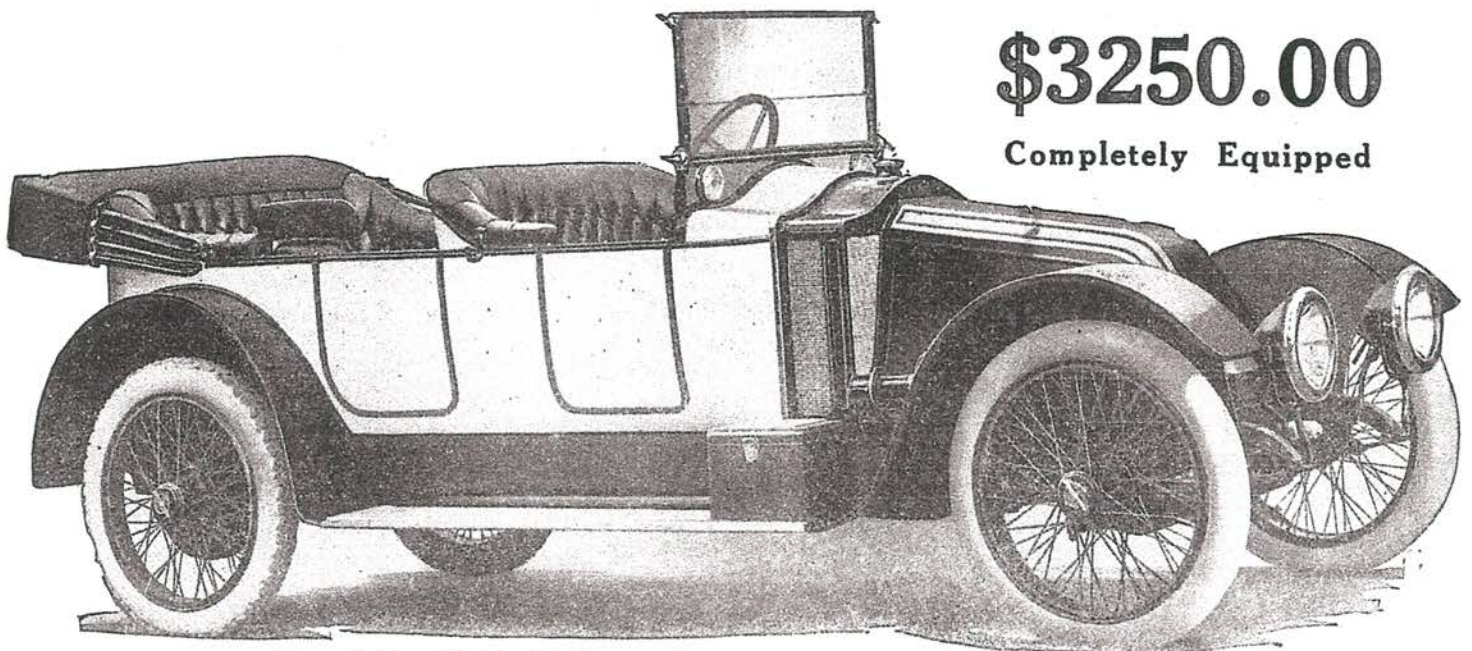
Our Ladies Mystery Tour was a great success. We had a super turn out and tasty food. No one went away hungry. If that was not enough, home-made ice cream was served to all. I think the ladies of the club plan a tour a little different from us guys, and I liked it. Maybe a tour designed by our ladies should be an annual activity!

The nominating committee will be bringing to the club at the November meeting, their recommendations for next year's Board. Be sure to attend the meeting so you can vote. The club membership decides on the Board members and then the Board decides on the officers including the president. I have really appreciated serving as president this year. I have had a lot of support and individuals bringing new suggestions. Our Board meetings are more efficient and club meeting interesting. Overall, it has been a good year. It was too bad we had to cancel the Bay Area Tour due to lack of sign-ups. I know Charles and Bill did a lot of planning and I hope we can run these routes in the near future on either a 1-day tour or an over-night tour.

Look in the newsletter for menu items to bring to the November club meeting as we have our annual Pot Luck Dinner. And remember we will begin at 6:30 instead of 7:30 so we can enjoy food from our great cooks. A ham will be furnished by the club and prepared by John and Carolee. Come with an appetite.

November means Turkey-Day is quickly approaching. This is when we stuff ourselves and wish we hadn't. This year Norman and Adria have a solution to our Thanksgiving problem. Bring all your holiday leftovers to the Pilgrim's Picnic on the Friday after Thanksgiving and share them with everyone. We will then walk off the meal on a nature hike. See the flier on the following pages. This is our last activity for the year with cars, so come on out.

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A DAY OUT IN THE COUNTRYSIDE

"A delightful day's outing spent in the San Ramon countryside," sums up the Ladies' Mystery Tour on Saturday, October 21, 2017. The convenient Bollinger Canyon Road Park and Ride location gave everyone a chance to gather for their coffee, fresh doughnuts and chatter. The roster of cars included: Christine Crowell driving a 1923 Marmon, Johnny Crowell in his 1915 Packard, Doug and Susan Durein had their 1912 Buick, Norman, Adria, Julia and Allison Schwartz brought along the 1909 Paterson, Ed and Carolyn Harley rolled in with a 1906 Buick, followed by Don and Joyce Azevedo in their 1914 Model T Ford. Everyone was offered a chance to ride along with extra seats for kids and family members. Don Azevedo and Mark Cerruti mapped out a "very easy" route up and back Bollinger Canyon Road, briefly making a stop at the facilities, at the Las Trampas Ridge Regional Wilderness hiking pathway/park, then on to the final stop at the Forest Home Farm. "I'll always remember what one car guy (Don A.) told me," Kaaren said, "it's not a "true blue" tour unless there's something unexpected that happens to test the car and/or driver!" So in typical fashion, Mr. Don's "T" had a slightly flat tire, in need of some hand pumping and later Norman discovered a missing bolt in his rear wheel (he gave it a temporary fix), but the day's gold star challenge was won, hands down, by the "great" driving job Christine Crowell did in driving the Marmon (with only a short practice session beforehand). And, as it turned out, this weekend also included the opening of the pumpkin patch (Halloween's coming!), a meet and greet lunch outing by the local Packard Club (with 9 great polished beauties on display) and an ongoing celebration of the Farms' 20th anniversary of opening as a local historic landmark. There were also the self-guided tours of the barn buildings, activities, photo ops and if you wanted, a visit next door to the lovely Victorian Glass House.



Joyce Azevedo did a great job chairing the event. And, there were lots of helping hands offered by the BAHCC Ladies - Carolee Morrison, Christine Crowell, Pam Johnson, Susan Durein, Diane Haist, Carolyn Harley, Adria Schwartz and Kaaren Brommer, in providing the day's pot luck menu, which featured chicken, chili, veggies, salads (potato, green & noodle), french bread, croissants, drinks, along with some delectable desserts – cookies, apple and pumpkin pies, home-



made pineapple sherbet and the opportunity to practice a bit of "old time" fun = the making of some hand-cranked vanilla ice cream! Bill Brommer and John Morrison gave those with strong arms a chance to step up and "crank away."

It turned out to be an easy-going gathering where everyone had a chance to share stories about their recent boat or train adventures, the great buys at Hershey, their families and/or grandchildren. We got a surprise when Nancy and Fred Byl dropped in (it's been awhile since they moved), and Don and Pam Johnson reflected on the work being done to help the folks in nearby Santa Rosa. Other options for the group to participate in were to view the great old farm buildings, visit the Gift Shoppe and/or share the upkeep and restoration of their antique and vintage cars with many of the public visitors.

Eric (looking good and rested) and Muriel Lundquist enjoyed sharing the outing with their families: Charlie, Kara, Colin and baby Hana; and Pete, Carolyn, Edward and Cate Young, visiting from New Zealand. Christine and Johnny Crowell also had their grandson and family members join in.



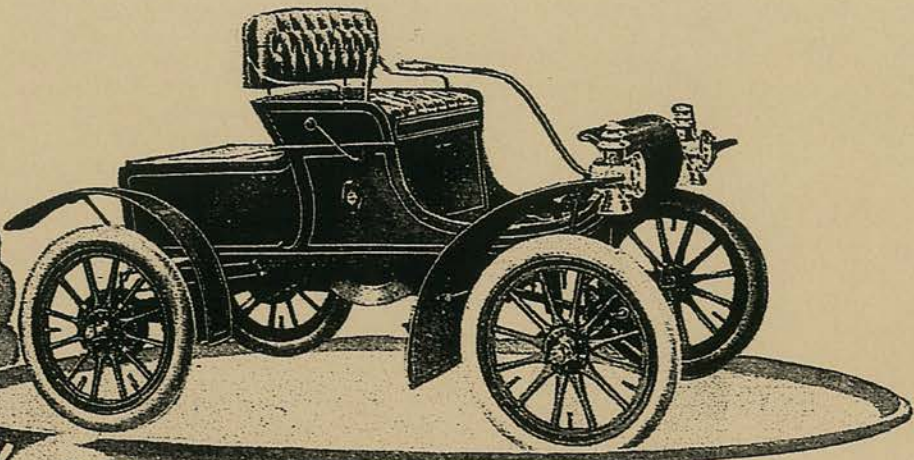
Thanks to ALL of the Ladies for making it a memorable BAHCC family tour!

Kaaren Brommer



Photos courtesy of
*Don Azevedo,
Kaaren Brommer
& Ed Harley*





POTLUCK DINNER

November 1st, 2017

Set-up at 6:30 - Dining at 7:00

It's Potluck time again! Let's all come out for a delicious meal to share with other club members and friends.

FOOD INSTRUCTIONS:

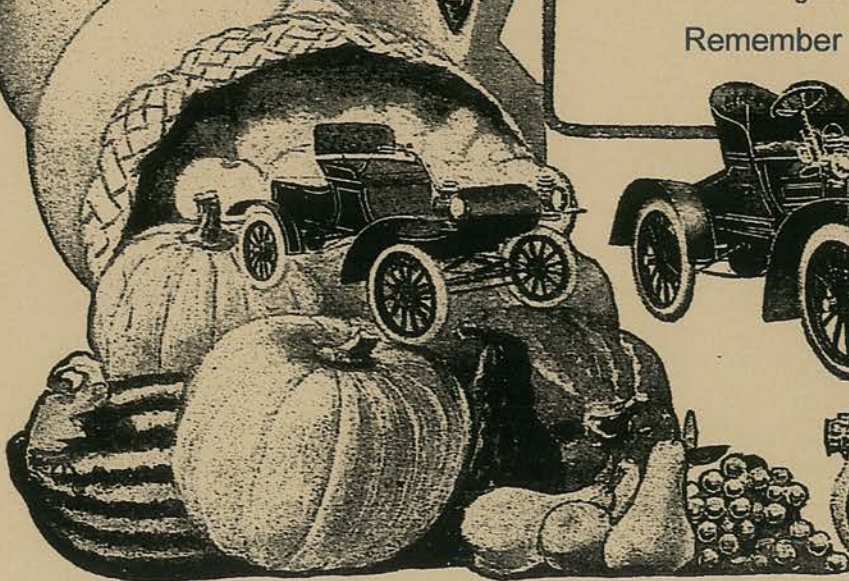
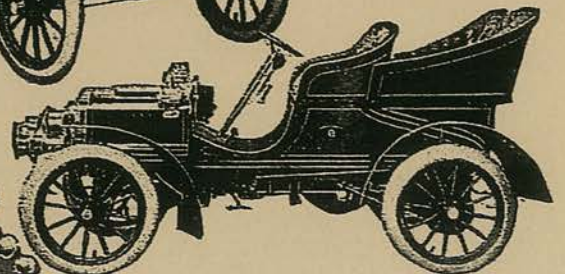
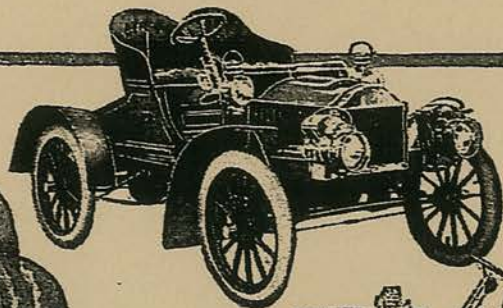
MAIN DISH. P - Z
SALAD. A - G
DESSERT. H - O

The Club supplies coffee/tea, soft drinks & Ham.

(Secret Chefs prepare the Ham!)

Please bring your own dishes, table service, glassware & decorations.

Remember to wear your name tag!



My First Hershey

By Mark Cerruti

Well, . . . After all these years, I finally made it to the big show! I've been wanting to go for many years, but have always found an excuse not to go. Thanks to Don Azevedo's coaxing, and of course, my wife's blessing, it happened. I had heard that there's a lot to see at Hershey, but really had no idea! (I've also heard there's a lot of cornfields in Iowa) The size of this thing is amazing. The notion that you can see it all, is ridiculous!

I was lucky to have Don Azevedo and John Morrison as my guides and roommates. They were willing to fit me in their coveted downtown motel room, which is just a short mile walk from the Meet. The fabled "Simmons Motel" was quite comfortable at only \$325 per night. (Likely 50 bucks per night the other 51 weeks of the year!) We would head-out early every morning, meeting up with Sharon Gooding, (Executive Secretary of the HCCA and "Team Simmons" member) and help open-up the HCCA tent.



People came from all over the world! photo courtesy of Carol Hoagland

The first day, I walked and walked and walked, unable to stop, always looking for the next "great thing." I passed booth after booth of cars & parts for sale. Parts for Ford, Buick, Packard, Pierce Arrow, Rolls-Royce and countless other cars. In Hershey, that's their definition for "diversity!" I had heard there would be a couple hundred thousand people attending, but because of the enormity of the place, it never felt too crowded. The only thing that brought the Meet to a standstill, was the playing of the National Anthem every morning at 8 o'clock sharp. I did not see anybody kneel. In addition to the cars and parts, there were tools, signs, gas pumps, vintage clothing, and



Wanted to buy it, but was too chicken. . . (sorry)

anything else you can imagine that's related to old cars. Everyday about noon, my feet went numb and I was forced to head back to the motel.

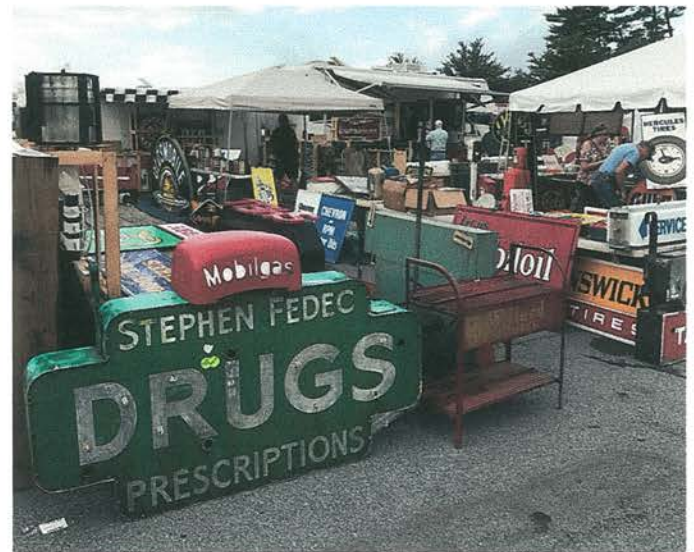
The three of us made it to the fabulous Hershey Lodge and were able to sneak into the RM Sotheby's Auction (thanks to Johnny & Christine Crowell) and watched a few dozen cars sell. There were some deals there, but most cars went for considerable dough. The top seller was a 1933 Pierce Silver Arrow, which went for 2.3 million. The most ridiculous price paid (in my opinion) was for a convertible 1961 Nash Metropolitan, at a mere \$74,250!

Unfortunately, we missed the Saturday Car Show, since we had to leave Hershey early to catch our 12hr plane ride back to California. If you haven't been to Hershey for the Fall Meet, you must visit at least once! Just be prepared to walk about 100 miles. Oh, and by the way, there's a chocolate factory in Hershey too!



Rusty but running!

I now realize that the true meaning of Hershey is not just the "stuff" that's for sale. Meeting people, talking about cars and having a good meal with old friends is really what it's all about. I would like to thank Don & John for making all the arrangements and "going easy" on me. I hope to return next year.



There were signs everywhere!



PILGRIM'S PICNIC & BACKROADS TOUR

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 24, 2017

Could one day of Thanksgiving really be enough?

If part 2 is already on your mind, join us for this annual Schwartz family event. Pack up your picnic basket with the remains of the previous day's feast and meet us under the Martinez trestle staging area at the intersection of Alhambra Ave. & Highway 4 at 11am. We will follow the "turkey path" through scenic pastoral backroads. Then, we will rendezvous at the Bear Creek Picnic site for our pilgrim-style lunch in nature, surrounded by Fall beauty.

A nature trail begins nearby for those inclined to burn off the meal, or just spend a little more time enjoying the day in this area.

Should weather be un-cooperative, we will convene indoors at 406 Ward Street, Martinez and picnic among the car collection.

Planning to join us?

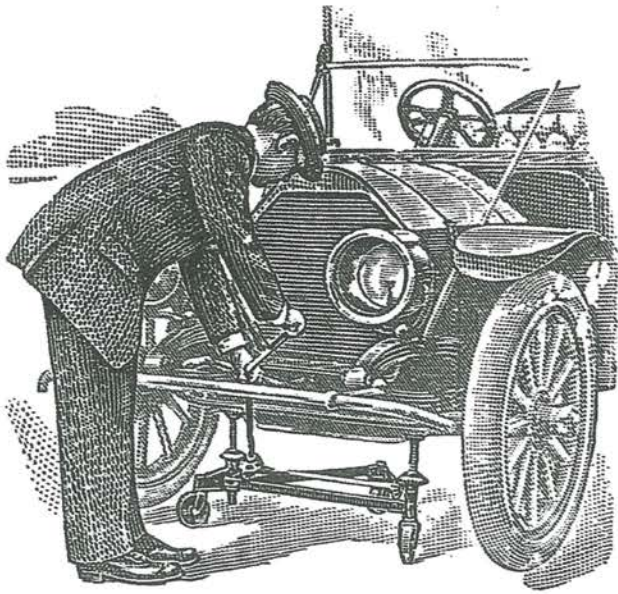
Please let us know:

Norman and Adria Schwartz

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Nuts & Bolts



Nuts & Bolts will be held at Bill & Kaaren Brommer's Garage on Saturday November 4th, at 9:00am.

Bill has multiple problems with a couple of his automobiles, one being a Model T Ford. He is hoping that with many heads looking at the situation, answers will come easily.

This is always a learning session for all attending, because we get to see the problems and fixes that we have never had, but might down the road.

*We always end by noon or earlier,
but the comradery and information will last forever!*

Doug Durein, Chief Nut

Bill Cassidy, Wing Nut

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November, a time to be thankful for your own good health and happiness,

Pains come and go because of our forgetfulness

In a hurry we wish to be first and get ahead

Stumble and fall humiliated and wished we had stayed in bed

Put in time to thinking and helping others

Before putting out your light and under those covers

Genelle Azevedo

Happy Birthday!

Ken Billingsley	Nov 1
Pam Johnson	Nov 7
Linda Pearson	Nov 11
Nancy Byl	Nov 12
Emogene Hall	Nov 14
John Vitale	Nov 15
Tony Wollesen	Nov 15
Chet Caldeira	Nov 17
John Alff	Nov 23
Newell Booth	Nov 23
Steve Hoffman	Nov 27
Lloyd Riggs	Nov 28

Happy Anniversary!

Johnny & Christine Crowell	Nov 18th, 1995
Robert & Kelly Stone	Nov 19th, 1995
Paul & Carlee Bittner	Nov 23rd,
John & Carolee Morrison	Nov 27th, 1982

Hospitality Calendar

Dessert Sign-ups

November	Potluck - By alphabet, check Gazette
December	Holiday Party - Catered
January 2018	<i>Your name here!?</i>
February	
March	
April	Potluck - By alphabet, check Gazette
May	
June	
July	4th of July Picnic
August	
September	
October	
Contact Pam Johnson or Kaaren Brommer to Sign-up!	

Niello Concours at Serrano

by David Pava

Pictured is the 1910 Ford Model T that I restored last winter and showed for the first time at the Niello Concours at Serrano. I am pleased that it took first place in it's class - Antiques to 1919. It is very similar to the 1909 some may recall I previously owned. The 1910 will now be driven regularly on Horseless Carriage and Model T Club tours and I will probably sell our 1915 T Roadster if anybody is interested.



Since the 1910 will be regularly toured, a few performance enhancing and safety modifications were made without modifying its near stock appearance. The car had a 1920's engine set up for a starter when I bought it and it was rebuilt. In place of the generator a 12 volt alternator is used facilitating conversion of the acetylene headlights to electric power and charging the battery for the starter. The engine is equipped with a high compression head, water pump and front main bearing outside oil line. A Holly NH carburetor is mounted on a high volume intake manifold. The original timer and four coil ignition systems has been replaced with an aftermarket Model T distributor and a Ruckstell rear axle, Rocky Mountain Brakes, double front axle wishbone and stop light were installed for safety and drivability.

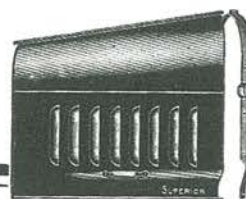


Additionally pictured is the 1914 Model T Speedster once owned by former BAHCC member Doug King. When Doug owned it, the car was bright green. It subsequently has been painted red and is now owned by Dave Hill. Dave is also looking for a brass T touring car. If anyone has one they might consider selling, he can be reached at 916-281-8559.



BAHCC member Lynn Kissel, also showed his 1933 Kissel, and it took a first place in CCA Grand Classic judging. There were quite a few gorgeous "full classics" at the Concours.

Also seen at the show was former BAHCC member Jerry Neal and current members Whitney and Diane Haist.



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Re: 2018 Convention Registration, NE Brass and Gas, HCCA Gazette Editor Search
Issue: 2017-08-21 #07

- **2018 Convention Registration Open ...**
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2018 HCCA Convention/80th Year of HCCA –

Dates: April 7-11, 2018

Location: Tenaya Lodge at Yosemite, CA
Bakersfield – April 12 to April 14, 2017

MEETING OF THE MARQUES

- **New England Brass and Gas Tour, ME –**
In the end of June 2017, over 75 cars and over 170 HCCA members arrived in Ellsworth, ME for 5 days of touring in the Arcadia National Park area. Because of the size of the tour, two days required that the group to be split into two groups due to space limitations at some destinations. The tour planning was excellent, fantastic scenery and roads, the tour were one of the best with some first time attenders and participants from New Zealand.
- **HCCA Gazette Editor Search -** There have been members asking questions and expressing concern about the status of the Gazette editor...

The current contract for the creation, printing and distribution of the Gazette ends on September 30, 2017. Discussions on the renewal of the contract with John Meyer started in October 2016. In the end of May, 2017 John Meyer decided not to exercise his option of rolling over the current contract. Because of John's experience and quality service, he was offered different contract options but he decided not to accept any of the choices. Since no agreement was reached in the past months, the HCCA Board of Directors has determined that we need to begin an open search for a new editor that can meet our needs for the next year.

The HCCA Board of Directors regrets John Meyer's decision not to sign a new service contract with HCCA. Based on his many years of service and the quality magazine that he provided, we wish John the best in his future work and hope he stays an active member of our antique car family.

Notice to all Members - HCCA is searching for an individual who can provide a service to create and manage the HCCA Gazette magazine for the next year... Any member that knows of an individual who would be interested and qualified should contact the HCCA Office, 1301 N Manship Pl, Meridian, ID, 83642 ... (626) 287-4222 office@hcca.org. Offers from all applicants will be considered...

During the transition period ***any member with material related to the Gazette including items for potential publication in the Gazette*** should send the information to editor@hcca.org or direct mail to Carl Pate, 26 Washington St, Rocky Hill, NJ, 08553.

Through this communication and the HCCA web site we will keep members advised of our progress in the search of a new editor. Please check the website, www.hcca.org for updates.

Get Involved and Give Back to our Family of Friends...

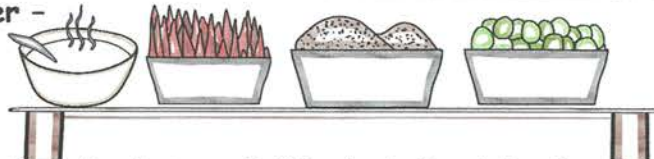


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2017 HCCA Chairman of the Board



BAHCC Club Meetings Calendar

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Month	Date/Day	Events	Speaker/ Special Event
Nov 2017	Nov 1 - Wed	Club Meeting	Potluck Dinner -  <p>Bring food and eat food at our Fall Potluck. Read the flyer in the Gaslight Gazette for the details.</p> <p>BAHCC Board Member Nominations; Membership Vote</p> <p>Hershey Fall Meet Review. The annual Hershey, PA antique automobile shows and flea market consist of over 9,000 flea market spaces, over 1,000 car corral spaces, and approximately 1,500 show cars. Listen to Johnny Crowell talk about the 2017 Fall Meet (October 4-7); what he saw, what he learned, what he sold, and what he purchased.</p> 
	Nov 15 - Wed	BOD Meeting	Joint Board Meeting and Dinner at the Brass Door, San Ramon BAHCC 2018 Board Officer Nominations and Election
Dec 2017	Dec 13 - Wed	Club Meeting & BOD Meeting	Holiday Party - Dinner & Dancing John and Carolee Morrison will be our gracious hosts for the Holiday Party, something they have done for more than 20 consecutive years. Come enjoy a catered dinner, music, dancing, Santa, and good cheer. See you there.  <p>BAHCC 2018 Board Officers Installation</p>
Jan 2018	Jan 3 - Wed Jan 17 - Wed	Club Meeting BOD Meeting	An Engineering Innovation Assignment by Don Azevedo Special BOD Meeting Topic: Growing the BAHCC Membership
Feb 2018	Feb 7 - Wed Feb 21 - Wed	Club Meeting BOD Meeting	
Mar 2018	Mar 7 - Wed Mar 21 - Wed	Club Meeting BOD Meeting	
Apr 2018	Apr 4 - Wed Apr 18 - Wed	Club Meeting BOD Meeting	Potluck Dinner and Parts Auction
May 2018	May 2 - Wed May 16 - Wed	Club Meeting BOD Meeting	
Jun 2018	Jun 6 - Wed Jun 20 - Wed	Club Meeting BOD Meeting	
July	NO Meetings		
Aug 2018	Aug 1 - Wed Aug 15 - Wed	Club Meeting BOD Meeting	Members Hobby Night
Sep 2018	Sep 5 - Wed Sep 19 - Wed	Club Meeting BOD Meeting	
Oct 2018	Oct 3 - Wed Oct 17 - Wed	Club Meeting BOD Meeting	

Please contact Ed Harley if you want to speak at a future club meeting.

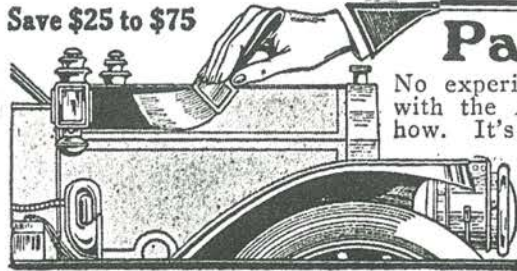


BAHCC Tour Calendar Club events **Bolded**

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

Month	Date/Day	Events	Tour Leader	Details
Nov 2017	Nov 4 Sat	Nuts & Bolts	Doug Durein	Brommer's home and cars galore
	Nov 24- Fri	Pilgrim's Picnic...	Norm and Adria Schwartz	Pilgrim's Picnic and Back Roads Tour for the day after Thanksgiving with an inclement weather alternative. Details are in the current Gazette.
Jan 2018	Jan 13 - Sat	Sacto train ride	Don Azevedo	We all go on the train to Old Town, Sacto for camaraderie and good times. This will be a multi- club trip & tour. Details soon.
Feb 2018	Feb 11 - Sun	Valentine's Day Tour & Lunch		Keep the date open (actual V day is Wednesday) as details will be worked out in planning the Tour.
Apr 2018	Apr 7 - 11 Sat - Wed	National Club Yosemite Tour	Michael Sullivan	Sponsored by So Cal Regional Group, details to come, and is featured in Sept-Oct HC Gazette.
May 2018	May 6 - Sun	Tour and Lunch	Harley & Haist	Blackhawk Car Show and Diablo Countryside tour.

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BAHCC Philanthropic Calendar

Managed by Christine Crowell, Philanthropic Director. hccboss@aol.com 925-963-5825

Dec 2017	Dec 13 - Wed	BAHCC Holiday Party	Go out and be a kid again! Find a toy isle and buy your favorite toy. Don't wrap it (whew!), just bring it to our Holiday Party. It will be fun and the kids at Children's Hospital will delight in your "kid again" experience! These toys will be delivered to the kids in an antique car.
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BAY AREA HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB Holiday Dinner - Dance & Installation

Wednesday, December 13th, 2017

Cocktails 6:30 Dinner 7:00

Featuring Mr. Ron Sparzo on the Tyros 4 Keyboard with festive Christmas & Dancing Music

Traditional Holiday Dinner

—→ Please bring your own dishes & table service ←—

\$25.pp Members, \$35.pp non-Members & Guests

Guests Welcome!

!!! SANTA WILL BE COLLECTING GIFTS !!!

Please bring a new, unwrapped gift for Children's Hospital.

You may bring gifts early to the November meeting, or drop off at John & Carolee's house if you will miss the Party.

If you would enjoy decorating a table, please contact Carolee



RESERVATIONS DUE BY DECEMBER 1st!

Call Carolee Morrison @ 510-407-1186
or John Morrison @ 510-407-0708

Or Email: johnpmorrison@sbcglobal.net

Or mail your check payable to BAHCC to:
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Board Meeting Minutes 9/20/2017

Don Azevedo called the meeting together at 7:37 pm.

Meeting took place at Ed Harley's home. It was attended by Don Azevedo, Ed Harley, Bill Schrambling, Mark Cerruti and Christine Crowell. Johnny Crowell was a guest.

MINUTES for last Board Meeting were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT—Board approved payment to John & Carolee Morrison for expenses they incurred with the 4th of July Party. They always put on a great event!
Payment was approved for Bill Hund for Field Meet expenses.

MEMBERSHIP—No report

TOURS—Valentine's Tour is to be determined.

MEETING ENTERTAINMENT---October, Tony Wollesen will be speaking on the history of Hotwheels. November, Johnny Crowell will give a report on the Hershey Swap Meet. There will be no December meeting but we will gather for our traditional Christmas Party on December 13th. Don will ask Eric for the number of the person that has provided the music at the last two Christmas parties.

Mark Cerruti will create a flyer for the Pot Luck.

BOARD MEETINGS—The November 15th Joint Board meeting will be at the Brass Door in San Ramon. Ed Harley is in charge of making arrangements. We agreed to invite our Web Master, Mark Wheeler. Event will be in the larger room.

NUTS & BOLTS---Nothing scheduled for October. November's will be at Bill Brommer's house.

WEBSITE---It appears that our website has been hacked as members are getting emails asking for checks to be sent. Beware of such emails. We will be creating an information email address so all e-mails will be sent to the current president.

AUTHENTICITY---No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS---Dues for 2018 remain at \$25.00.

Five Board members have another year to serve. The three whose terms are up, have agreed to be nominated for another term. We'll submit Johnny Crowell as 9th member and open it to the floor at the November meeting. At the joint meeting of outgoing and incoming members, the president will be elected. The president will then designate which positions members will have.

NEW BUSINESS---It was agreed that the Board will do a review of our progress in several areas, such as tours, membership, annual events, etc. We'll designate one or more topics to be reviewed each month.

Next Board Meeting will be at Mark Cerruti's and Don Azevedo will supply refreshments.

ADJOURNMENT---Ed Harley moved to adjourn at 8:55 and it was seconded by Bill Schrambling.

Christine Crowell

Minutes of the Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club Monthly Meeting

On: Wednesday, October 4, 2017, Piedmont Community Hall, Piedmont, CA.

Meeting called to order at 7:36 pm by Ed Harley, BAHCC Vice President, who asked for a moment of silent prayer to remember the recent Las Vegas shooting victims.

No visitors or guests, just a lost lady asking for another group's room location.

Ed proceeded with the meeting by acknowledging the following kudos to: Mark Cerruti, Ed and Carolyn Harley – Gaslight Gazette production/distribution. All Gazette newsletter contributors. Gerald Robinson for providing tables/chairs at the Antique Autos/History Park event. Joyce Azevedo for providing clothes for the photo shoot at AAHP, San Jose. Jim Lukash for allowing us to use his 1913 Model T at the AAHP for event attendees.

Joyce Azevedo made a motion to approve the September Meeting Minutes as published in the Gazette – which was seconded by Norman Schwartz. All members voted “aye.”

Treasurer's Report: Whitney noted that he had been gone for the last four weeks and had good intentions, but hoped we'd wait until the November meeting for his report.

Recent Activities: The San Jose/Antique Autos in History Park celebration went well. On our behalf, Joyce and Don Azevedo, set up a BAHCC/National rep booth to educate the public about our Club and activities. They invited everyone to the “dress-up” table and helped take photos, with some folks offering donations to the Club.

Hershey Report: Don connected with Joyce (at the meeting) saying the weather was great and the “good stuff” was out and that there were lots of friends to meet and greet.

Future Calendar: Ladies Mystery Tour, Saturday, October 21, 2017 beginning at the Park and Ride at Bollinger Canyon Road for a short tour, on to Forest Home Farms for a potluck picnic lunch featuring home-made ice cream, pumpkin hunting and maybe a house tour.

Pilgrim's Picnic, on Friday, November 24th, sponsored by Norman and Adria Schwartz with a short tour from the Martinez Trestle and then on to a potluck picnic. (Alternative plans are set in case of rain.) See the sign-up sheet for times and directions.

Holiday Party, Wednesday, December 13, 2017. Great food and music. Ask Christine Crowell re: toy collection by BAHCC members to the Children's Hospital.

2018 Plans: Train Ride to Sacramento – Saturday, January 13, 2018. Multi-club event.

February 2018 Luncheon – Valentine's Day Sweetheart gathering – details soon.

Ed Harley announced that our featured speaker, Tony Wollesen, will give us a historical perspective “All About Hotwheels,” those early drag racing days and the associated Mattel Companies. Who knew just how popular these children's (?) toys would become – now an icon!

Other items: Newsletter – Mark Cerruti = “Doing a great job!”

Nuts & Bolts: Doug Durein - Plans in the works, maybe for November.

Web Site: Suggestion: Let's invite the Web Master to the Holiday Dinner to meet/greet.

Membership: Ed Archer - Interested member's name forwarded via National for our follow-up. Wendy Mills requested our meeting location. Ed to call her.

Sunshine: Susan Durein – Make sure our Club sends its “best wishes” to Eric Lundquist who recently went through surgery and is now on the road to recovery.

Old Business: Remember! The November meeting is a POTLUCK DINNER – details in the next Gazette. Check out the dish you should make and bring to share.

New Business: The Board has one vacancy (currently has 8 members and bylaws allow for 9 members). The nominating committee has a willing candidate for the vacancy. The board member's terms expire in December and all three are willing to be re-elected. At the club meeting in November, the board will present the Slate of nominees to the membership and voting will take place. Ed Harley says that the Board will plan to focus on several topics such as: have the duties changed over the years, how to track what's going on in the Club and with its members, do we want any changes and what goes on “in” a Board meeting. In January 2018 the agenda will include: membership, jobs and tours.

Refreshments: Provided by Karen and Ed Archer (ice cream), Bill Cassidy (drinks). Thank you!

Meeting adjourned by Ed Harley at 8:10 pm, motion by Norm, seconded by Tony.

Meeting notes submitted by Kaaren Brommer for Secretary John Morrison. 10/20/17

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