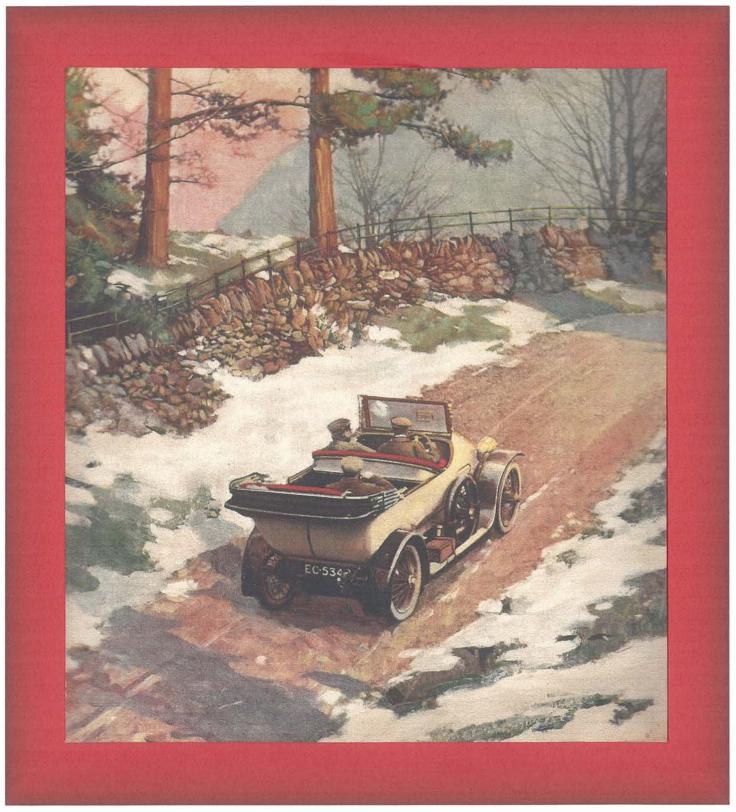
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The BAY AREA HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB (BAHCC) was founded in 1951 by and for automobile antiquarians dedicated to the preservation of pre-1916 motor vehicles. The BAHCC is one of numerous Regional Groups of the Horseless Carriage Club of America, (HCCA) 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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EDITOR'S NOTES:

Dear Members,

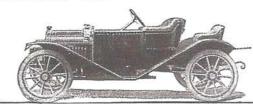
THIS WILL BE MY LAST ISSUE. . . . until next year. So far it's been a lot of fun, and I am looking forward to next year.

I would like to thank those who contributed to the Gazette this past year, helping to make it the success that it is, and am hoping to hear from new contributors.

There's another year ahead of us, so let's keep this thing going!

Merry Holidays,

Mark Cerruti, Editor



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

December is a time for reflection and wonder. We wonder where the year went. I believe the Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club had a good year. We gained new members and cars. We had interesting and well attended meetings. Our tours and activities were successful. Our Nuts and Bolts sessions accomplished their goals and we had a very smooth transition from our long-term and loved newsletter editor that decided to retire to our new editor.

I feel December is also a time to look forward and I am glad to report your Board is doing just that. We have many activities already planned for 2018 along with speakers or entertainment at our monthly meetings. One of the first activities in 2018 is the Train Trip on the Capital Corridor to Sacramento. I want to point out I have volunteered to purchase the train tickets for those boarding (and de-boarding) in Martinez. I must purchase the tickets at least 21 days in advance and have 20 or more people to receive a 30% discount on all the tickets purchased. Let me know and get me the money at the Christmas Party or at the latest December 22 to get in on this deal. The cost without a discount is \$38 round trip, but with the group discount it will be \$26.60 per person.

Lastly, I appreciate and thank you for allowing me to be president in 2017. I appreciate all the support and kind words from members throughout the year. I can honestly say we are a very healthy regional group and it takes a group effort to accomplish to be successful. Have a great Christmas and a safe New Year celebration.

Don



Courtesy of Sam Gurnee

Better than the Best Black Friday Sale

What is better than the best Black Friday Sale? Why, a Pilgrim's Picnic and an old car tour. With one of the best turn-outs of the year and a beautiful can't-beat-the-weather day, I can say hands down that it was perfect.



Cars and people met under the train trestle on Highway 4 in Martinez at 11:00 a.m. As usual, we kicked tires, caught up on each other's holiday festivities and enjoyed sharing our cars with those who gathered under the train trestle to start their hikes for the day. With the sun shining upon us, we waited for everyone to get their cars off the trailer and get in line. From the south we had the Andre family and Tony W. and from the north we had Vince from Greenbrae. The east was represented by Charles who came down from Twain Harte for Thanksgiving. The "Bills" had come from Oakland without using the freeway because the bridge connecting Moraga to Oakland at Canyon had finally been repaired from the damage of last winter's mud slide. (Because we usually



trailer to events, I had not thought of those who do not have a trailer and must drive their antique to the starting point.) Hats off to those who drove their car and came to enjoy the day without a trailer. Morrisons, Chapots and the McEachern clan came from the Piedmont and Alameda areas. On the

east side of the tunnels we had the Haists and Anthony Dormain with Leo and Andrew. The west was represented by Brian Harlamoff who drove guest Jon Eugenio's original 1927 Lincoln from El Sobrante. Others attending included the Brommers, the Crowells, the Azevedos and the Harleys.

We caravanned down Alhambra Valley Road past beautiful homes, both new and old. As the roads became narrower and the homes further apart, you could feel the tension of the city leaving your body. Our final destination was Briones Park in the hills between Lafayette and Orinda to the south and Martinez to the north.



Once in the park, we found a group of tables to accommodate our group of 40 or so people allowing us to enjoy our Pilgrim's Picnic, i.e. Thanksgiving leftovers! Afterwards, instead of the traditional nap, Norman led us in a hike in the park. Did you ever notice how much more fun exercise is when you do it with a friend? We walked awhile and went back to our cars and loaded up for the return trip to Martinez where a bountiful feast of desserts and coffee awaited us.

Many thanks to the Swartz family for planning the routes and activities for the day and opening up the Old Town Martinez facility for us to enjoy. And thanks to all that participated. Hope to see all of you (and many more) at the Christmas Party on December 13th at the Piedmont Community Center.

Joyce & Don Azevedo













2018 BAHCC MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE

If all of your directory information is unchanged since last year's directory, there's no need to fill out any of this information except for your name. Any changes, please fill in the space provided. Please place an "X" re. newsletter below on the last line of blanks provided.

Last name	First	Spouse	
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Newsletter Delivery; Please check one	below. (email only will be a	cost savings to the	club)
I prefer to have my newsletter sent via	Email only Email &	U.S. Postal	

Please make checks payable to BAHCC and send your \$35.00 payment to Assistant to Membership Chair; Ed Archer 1807 East Ave Hayward, CA 94541

BAY AREA HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB Holiday Dinner - Dance & Installation

Wednesday, December 13th, 2017

Cochtails 6:30 Dinner 7:00

Featuring Festive Christmas & Dancing Music by Mr. Ron Sparzo on the Tyros 4 Keyboard!

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 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 5th!

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: Whitney Haist, 12 Sunrise Hill Rd, Orinda, CA 94563



BAHCC Tours and Events Calendar For 2018

Season	BAHCC Events	Leader		Ту	pe*	Š.
			1	2	3	4
Winter	Old Sacramento Train trip	Azevedo				X
	Valentine Brunch	Haist & Durein				X
	Green Brass Tour	Leader?	X			
Spring	Blackhawk Car Show and Diablo Tour	Harley & Haist	X			
Summer	4 th of July	Morrison			X	
	Antique Autos in History Park	Leader?			X	
Fall	Pumpkin Tour	Leader?	X			
	Holiday Tour	Leader?	X			
		TOTALS	4	0	2	2

^{*1) 1-} Day Tour 2) Multi-day tour 3) Car Show - No Touring 4) Event - No Cars

Above is the BAHCC Tours and Events Calendar for 2018, giving an overview of the upcoming year by season. We need leaders for four activities -- the "Green Brass Tour," the "Antique Autos in History Park," the "Pumpkin Tour," and the "Holiday Tour." Please volunteer to fill one of those leadership roles, either by yourself or with a co-leader. The publishing of this calendar should not discourage any member from proposing additional Tours or Events in 2018.

	Hospitality Calendar Dessert Sign-ups		
December	Holiday Party - Catered		
January 2018	Kaaren Brommer		
February	Karen Archer		
March	Donna Jones		
April	Potluck - By alphabet, check Gazette		
May	Carolee Morrison		
June			
July	4th of July Picnic		
August	Christine Crowell		
September	Alaine Schrambling		
October	Carolyn Harley		
November	Potluck - By alphabet, check Gazette		

WANTED

My old 1915 Ford Model T Touring

I'm looking for my 1915 Ford Touring that I once owned in the 1990's, had to sell it and would love to find it and possibly buy it back. To describe it, there's not much to distinguish it from any other. It was restored by Bert Schoenstein of San Francisco, a decent restoration. It had a distributor ignition, 2-speed rear end or transmission

Happy Birthday!

Richard Green	Dec 7
Robert Stone	Dec 18
Mary McEachern	Dec 21
Tom Holthaus	Dec 23
Bernard Metais	Dec 23
Joyce Azevedo	Dec 26
Bea Reak	Dec 27
Layden Butler	Dec 29
Kathleen Vitale	Dec 30

Happy Anniversary!

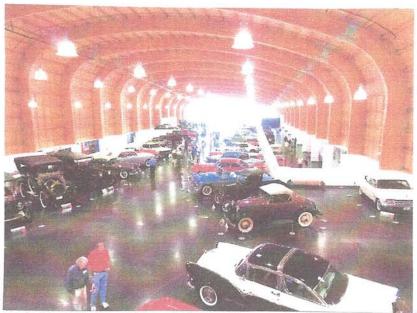
Bill & Alaine-Carter Schrambling	Dec 8th,	1984
Richard & Ellen Green	Dec 13th,	1969
Eric & Muriel Lundquist	Dec 14th,	1968

mounted just ahead of the rear end, and a starter was added. I purchased it from Bert, and a few years later, sold it back to Bert. I'm not sure who Bert sold if to,.. sometime around 1996 or 97. I would love to hear from the current owner.

Paul Cowden - 415-302-0628

Classified Advertisements are free to Members and friends of Members for Pre-WW-II cars, parts, accessories, and related items that may be of interest to the General Membership. Advertisements for automotive tools, vintage or otherwise, are allowed. Please submit solicitations for services, automotive or otherwise, to the Board for consideration.

Photos by George



LeMay Museum "America's Car Museum" Tacoma, WA



1906 Ford



1911 Baker



1905 Fiat



Photos by George McCrumb

1913 Oakland



1909 Hupmobile



1930 Rolls Royce

Christmas is a beautiful time of the year
Families together with friends near
Cards are sent out many miles away
And we know they care, as to what they say
What you can afford, give and be sincere,
Acts of kindness goes a long ways each year
Appreciate time with your loved ones
As time waits for no one.

Genelle Azevedo

OUR WINTER TOUR

January 13, 2018

TRAIN TRIP II to OLD SACRAMENTO

Relax and take a winter break from it all.

For those of you that missed last winter's Old Car Club Train Trip or those that want to repeat that fun experience, by popular demand, we're doing it again. Believe me, it wasn't my idea, I've got enough to do!

There's only one thing almost as good as having fun with old cars, and that's having fun with old car friends. And, after all, the automobile nearly put the railroads out of business so the least we can do is throw our support every few years with a delightful winter trip on the train. Aside from the fun of being with friends there's so much to see enroute and something for everyone at our destination. If you're into sports there's the Sacramento Kings new state of the art stadium, or the old well restored Leland Stanford Governor's mansion, the world class California State Railroad Museum, the California Auto museum (since it's roughly a half mile away from old town I've arranged a shuttle to and from old town and a reduced entry fee of \$7.00 per person for those that want to go), the historic Delta King river boat, and of course Old Town Sacramento's various diverse shops, museums and restaurant's. All this within a short walking distance of the Train depot. Upon arrival, a favorite lunch spot for a lot of us is Joe's Crab Shack in Old Town alongside of the Sacramento river (diverse menu, not just fish/crab).

Each club should generate a sign up sheet so that whoevers in charge of your group knows who's coming so they can figure the best combination package price on train fares from the list below. If we get enough participation we'll have our own coach. We'll be boarding the Capitol Corridor Express, train number 724 departing from downtown San Jose at 8:10 AM arriving Sacramento at 11:18 AM. Some clubs will be boarding train 724 enroute in Oakland and some in Martinez. For the return trip most of us will be boarding Train number 743 departing Sacramento at 3:55 PM (you can probably depart earlier or later as you choose but technically with our "deal" the 743 is your return train).

For those departing San Jose the base round trip fare is Adult \$80.00 per person (Oakland, Martinez much less). Now here's the special fares and none can be combined for a lesser fare. Seniors (62-up) or Student ages 13-25 (must show proper ID) or Veteran (with valid Veterans Advantage membership card) or Disabled passenger, all get 15% off (\$68.00). Active military or AAA member (no, stupid, not alcoholic anonymous!) 10% off. Here's the big one but it takes organization (event chairmen get your act together), group of 20 or more 30% off and must make reservations 21 days in advance. Such a deal!!! Now....for those that want to board at any station that we may not reach the minimum 20 people, there's another ticket package where one person buys a full fare ticket and from 2 to as many as 5 "friends" accompanying him pay only 50% of the full fare each. To decide your departure location if you're price shopping, full fare round trip from Oakland \$58.00, Martinez \$38.00. Totally confused? or want to get in on the best deal please contact your clubs event chairman to be included in the best bargain ticket price. If you want to do some checking on your own just type in Amtrak on your computer or you could call Amtrak at 800 872 7245 (and they'll probably totally confuse you.) If I can help call me, Ed Archer 510 581 4911.

BOTTOM LINE FOR A 30% DISCOUNT, COMMIT TO GO, CONTACT YOUR CLUB EVENT CHAIRMAN BEFORE DECEMBER 22, 2017 AND WE'LL GET YOU IN ON OUR GROUP RATE. Your best bet is departing from San Jose. Not sure if we'll get 20 or more people at Oakland or Martinez. Event chairman please submit your list of people going, and money to me by December 22, 2017

HCCA NATIONAL NEWS



Re: 2018 Convention Registration, Hershey PA, Gazette Issue, HCCA Gazette Editor Search - Update

Issue: 2017-11-09 #10

2018 Convention Registration ...

Celebrate 80 Years of Brass Era Touring 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 Registration for the 2018 HCCA National

convention has a waiting list ...

Reminder for Marian Welch Award –

There is members that deserve recognition for years of service to the local and national HCCA organization. This is the highest club recognition that an individual can receive. Just to be nominated is an honor. Send detailed information on the HCCA member that you think should be considered for the award. Nominations for candidates for the 2018 award are to be sent to ...

Gil Klecan

2966 N Arroyo Drive, San Diego, CA 92103

(gilklecan@hotmail.com).

Make sure you get your candidate information to Gil Klecan by **December 1**, 2017.

- EVERY Vote Counts The HCCA Board of Directors consists of 3 classes of 5 directors. Each year the term of one director class expires and 5 new directors need to be elected. In the September/October issue of the Gazette, you received pictures and biographies of the 8 nominee candidates (bios are on website). If you are a voting HCCA member you received a ballot to cast your vote. This is your opportunity to vote for your representatives. Your vote makes a difference. Each ballot submitted to be valid MUST have five candidates selected. All ballots must be received by the HCCA auditor by December 15, 2017.
- Nov/Dec Gazette Issue The Nov / Dec issue of the HCCA Gazette was edited by an

interim editor and sent out to members. We have received many positive responses.

• HCCA Gazette Editor Search - Update

The search committee has completed all interviews with qualified candidates. The 3 finalists were sent to the executive committee and interviews with the finalists have been completed. A new editor should be selected before Thanksgiving. The selection process was a difficult one but HCCA was fortunate to have many well-qualified candidates. Remember - Members should send articles, ads and obits to editor@hcca.org ... It's your magazine.

I would like to express the club's thanks to the following non-board members who volunteered their time and effort to help during the transition to a new editor ...

- Mike Sullivan (CA) for his help with the search committee and the collection and review of club assets received from John Meyer.
- ➤ Jeryl Schreiver Huppe (ME) for her time and efforts in putting together interim issues of the HCCA Gazette.
- Karl Darby (NJ) for his effort on committees to assure continuity throughout the process.

Remember to thank your local organization leaders and editors who continue to make this club one of the best in the antique car hobby.

Get Involved and Give Back to our family of friends



On behalf of the HCCA Board of Directors, we hope you all have a great Thanksgiving with family and friends.

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BAHCC Club Meetings Calendar

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

Month	Date/Day	Events	Speaker/ Special Event	
Dec	Dec 13 -	Club	Holiday Dinner - Dance & Installation	
2017	Wed	Meeting &	John and Carolee Morrison will be our gracious	
2017	Wed	BOD		
			hosts for the Holiday Party, something they have	
		Meeting	done for more than 20 consecutive years. Come	
			enjoy a catered dinner, music, dancing, and good	
			cheer. Santa will be collecting gifts for Children's	
			Hospital in Oakland. See you there.	
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			BAHCC 2018 Board Officers Installation	
Jan	Jan 3 -	Club	In a college freshman Engineering class, which Don	
		00000000	g (MICE)	
2018	Wed	Meeting	Azevedo was a student, the assignment was to invent	
			something. The students then had to pitch their	
			idea to 4 registered professional engineers; and	
			then, pitch their idea to 4 potential financial	
			investors. Come listen to Don discuss his invention and the outcome.	
	Jan 17 -	BOD	Ed Archer's home	
	Wed	Meeting	Special BOD Meeting Topic: Membership	
Feb	Feb 7 -	Club	Dr. Mike Barricks is back. Mike was one of	
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2018	Wed	Meeting	our favorite guest speakers of 2017, when	
			he masterfully told the story of his victory	
			in 1955, as a 15-year-old, with his 1/12 scale	
			model car of the Fisher Body Craftman's Guild. However, that was	
			only part of the story. Mike first entered the competition in 1954,	
			as a 14-year-old. Come to the meeting, SEE THE NON-WINNING	
			MODEL, and listen to Mike's story	
	Feb 21 -	BOD		
	Wed	Meeting		
Mar 2018	Mar 7 - Wed	Club Meeting		
	Mar 21 - Wed	BOD Meeting		
Apr 2018	Apr 4 - Wed	Club Meeting	Potluck Dinner and Parts Auction	
May2018	Apr 18 - Wed May 2 - Wed	BOD Meeting		
May2016	May 16- Wed	Club Meeting BOD Meeting		
Jun2018	Jun 6 - Wed	Club Meeting		
	Jun 20-Wed	BOD Meeting		
July		Meetings		
Aug 2018	Aug 1 - Wed	Club Meeting	Members Hobby Night	
Sep 2018	Aug 15 - Wed Sep 5 - Wed	BOD Meeting Club Meeting		
Och 2010	Sep 19 - Wed	BOD Meeting		
Oct 2018	Oct 3 - Wed	Club Meeting		
	Oct 17 - Wed	BOD Meeting		
Nov 2018	Nov 7 - Wed	Club Meeting		
	Nov 21-Wed	BOD Meeting	Appreciation Dinner and Office Installations	
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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
Jan 2018	Jan 13 - Sat	Sacto train	Don Azevedo	We will all go on the train to Old Town, Sacto for camaraderie and good times. This will be a multi-club trip & tour. Details in the Gazette.
Feb 2018	Feb 11 - Sun	Valentine's Day Tour & Lunch	Bill Schrambling	Pending reservations at Pier 29 in Alameda (they are not taking them until January 1), we will have a brunch once again there. A tour will be worked out if the weather holds. More details to come.
Apr	Apr 7 - 11	National Club	Michael	Sponsored by So Cal Regional Group, details to come, and is featured in Sept-Oct HC Gazette.
2018	Sat - Wed	Yosemite Tour	Sullivan	
May	May 6 -	Tour and	Harley &	Blackhawk Car Show and Diablo Countryside tour.
2018	Sun	Lunch	Haist	
July	July 4 -	Parade and	John	First observation of the annual Piedmont parade and follow up party at the Morrisons
2018	Wed	Party	Morrison	

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BAHCC Philanthropic Calendar

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

Month	Date/Day	Events	Speaker/ Special Event
Dec	Dec 13 - Wed	BAHCC Holiday	Go out and be a kid again! Find a toy isle and buy your
2017		Party	favorite toy. Don't wrap it (whew!), just bring it to our
		1-07	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.

Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club Meeting Minutes from November 1, 2017

Call to Order—After enjoying our annual pot-luck dinner, President Don Azevedo called the meeting to order at 7:57 p.m. at the Piedmont Community Hall. Guests included children George and Samantha Cerruti, and Bill Austen.

Kudos—Don congratulated the following for recent jobs well done: Mark Cerruti, Ed and Carolyn Harley and all contributors for the outstanding November, 2017 Gaslight Gazette, the committee of BAHCC ladies that sponsored the recent and very successful Ladies Mystery Tour, John and Carolee Morrison for tonight's ham, and all of our cooks for tonight's pot luck dinner.

Approval of Minutes—Last month's minutes were taken by Kaaren Brommer in Secretary John Morrison's absence (Hershey). Carolyn Harley moved and Joyce Azevedo seconded that Kaaren's minutes be approved as printed; motion passed.

Treasurer's Report—Treasurer Whitney Haist reported he is collecting checks for the upcoming BAHCC Christmas party (\$25 per club member and \$35 per guest).

Recent Activities—Ladies Mystery Tour; Ed Harley reported it was last Saturday and the weather was beautiful. We started from the Bollinger Canyon Rd. Park and Ride and went west all the way to the end, rested briefly, then came back to the excellent pumpkin patch farm near 680, which was celebrating its 20th anniversary Halloween event. We were able to occupy a group of tables in their barn (which barn we shared with other car groups as well). Our food turned out to be more than ample and quite delicious, especially the two flavors of handmade ice cream provided by the Brommers and the Azevedos.

Calendars:

Future Tours and Activities—Bill Schrambling handed out a sign-up sheet for the 11/24 Pilgrims' Tour sponsored by the Schwartz Family, everyone to please bring Thanksgiving left-overs to share at the midday lunch stop. Another sign-up sheet was passed out for the Christmas Party (Wed., December 13 chaired by Carolee and John Morrison. (Please bring your own dishes and silverware this year). Bill Schrambling and Don Azevedo also talked about the annual Sacramento Train Ride trip which will be Saturday, January 13. (Those who sign up 21 days or more in advance receive a substantial discount; check with Don for more details.)

Meetings—Ed Harley reminded that after tonight's meeting Johnny Crowell will be speaking on the phenomenon that the Hershey Swap Meet has become over the last many years.

Philanthropic Activities—Christine Crowell reminded us to please remember to bring unwrapped children's gifts to the Christmas Party so that they can be passed on to Children's Hospital in Oakland.

Newsletter—Editor Mark Cerruti thanked everyone that helped in any way with the Gazette this month.

Nuts and Bolts—Doug Durein reported it will be held at the Brommers' on Saturday morning, November 11th unless it rains, in which case it is cancelled.

Web Site—No report

Membership—Nothing

Authenticity-Nothing

Sunshine Report—Susan Durein reported that things are looking really good. Mary Mendes is here with Bill Hund and is receiving regular treatments and doing well. Joyce Azevedo added that the Lundquists had let her know that their family from New Zealand will be leaving tonight so they did not come to tonight's meeting, as they wanted to have one more dinner get-together with them and see them off tonight.

Old Business—President Don reported that we have three members whose 2-year term is ending in 2017 but they are willing to stay on for another two-year term if elected. They are Ed Archer, Whitney Haist and John Morrison. Don added that the nominating committee recommends they be reelected, and that will give us 8 board members, but our bylaws permit 9, so the nominating committee also recommends electing Johnny Crowell to the board as the ninth member in compliance with the by-laws. Kaaren moved we accept the nominations as recommended by the Nominating Committee and Pam Johnson seconded; motion passed.

New Business—Bill Austen said he had heard from Norm Schwartz (he and Adria are at the London to Brighten Run) and that Norm had had a valve cover problem which he worked on and was able to fix. Apparently there are over 400 pre-1905 cars; the earliest cars go first, and Norm's number is 109.

Adjournment to refreshments and Johnny's talk on Hershey—Meeting itself adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Morrison, Secretary



BAHCC Minutes of Board Meeting of 10-18-17

Call to Order: President Don Azevedo called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. at the Cerruti's home in Danville, CA. All board members were present and Johnny Crowell was a guest.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the September 20 Board Meeting were passed out by Christine Crowell, who had acted as secretary in John Morrison's absence. There were two minor suggestions, and Whitney Haist moved and Bill Schrambling seconded that the minutes be approved as amended. Motion passed. Don Azevedo will send the amended minutes tomorrow to Mark Cerruti, editor, for publication in the Gaslight Gazette.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Whitney Haist reported he had reconciled the treasury through the third quarter of this year and that with all bills paid we remain solvent in both the checking and the savings accounts. John Morrison moved and Mark Cerruti seconded that the report be accepted. Motion passed.

Tours, Activities and Meetings: Bill Schrambling reported that the only new activity is a January 13 train trip to Sacramento. He noted this event is with other clubs as well, and Don Azevedo said he is willing to be the coordinator for BAHCC participants. This event will likely include dinner in Martinez again at La Tapatia Mexican Restaurant in Martinez for all that would like to join in on that.

The Ladies Mystery Tour, planned and coordinated by about seven BAHCC women, is around the corner (10-10-21). Bill noted that all those in charge have specific duties, even including a write-up for the Gaslight Gazette afterwards, and that it promises to be a well-run tour/picnic.

In November there is the Pilgrims' Picnic by Adria and Norm Schwartz to which everyone is encouraged to bring Thanksgiving left-overs and more to share with all present. This too promises to be a fun new idea and a fun tour.

There is also a Nuts and Bolts scheduled for November at the Brommer's barn to work on Model T's needing adjustments. It was suggested that Model T Club members also be invited. Should be productive and fun! That date is Sat., Nov. 11.

Ed Harley reported that upcoming meetings include the November 1 general meeting, wherein Johnny Crowell will be providing interesting information on the Hershey Swap Meet phenomenon. Ed also reminded that the November 15 board meeting will include outgoing and incoming board. The meeting will begin at 7:00 at the Brass Door Restaurant in San Ramon.

Christine Crowell reported the next charitable effort by BAHCC will be our gathering of new, unwrapped children's gifts at the BAHCC Christmas Party to be given to Children's Hospital, Oakland.

Website: Don reported that he is working with Mark Wheeler to set it up on the BAHCC website so that when anyone happens to view our website and have a question(s), they can enter a message on the website and that question will be automatically forwarded to the current BAHCC President's email (without revealing the actual president's email address).

Gaslight Gazette: Editor Mark Cerruti reported that this month's deadline for items to be in the Gazette is 10-23-17. He also said he would like to give a gift to our printing company for the good work then do. He has worked with this company for a long time and always appreciates what they do. The board agreed.

The rest of the board again thanked Mark for all he does and for enabling such a smooth transition with the Gazette editorship after Muriel Lundquist's amazing 15 years as our editor.

Authenticity Report: Ed Archer indicated there was nothing new to report at this time.

Unfinished Business: Johnny and Christine Crowell mentioned we had talked about trying the idea of having one of our general meetings per year be in the Tri-Valley area. A brief discussion began on this and was put over to the next board meeting.

New Business: A discussion was held about the necessity of our treasury supporting the costs as necessary for the Ladies' Mystery Tour (such things as ice cream, cups, coffee, donuts, etc.) It was noted that we have an ongoing practice of supporting up to \$200 per tour, and more possibly available pending a positive vote of the board if deemed appropriate.

BAHCC Buddy for the Year idea: Don and others began discussing that when a new member joins our club, there is often a current member who knows them and invites them, then mentors them informally as they become active in the club. Don proposed we formalize that to make sure it happens by calling for someone to volunteer to mentor a new member for a year each time a new member joins. Consensus was that it is a very good idea—a good way to make someone feel appreciated and valued from the start.

Year in Review: Don said he felt that the club has had a very good year in general, good and plentiful activities, speakers at meetings have been a very positive addition, the "triple calendar format has been very helpful, etc. Consensus was that it has been very positive for the most part.

Adjournment: Ed Archer moved and Whitney Haist seconded a motion for adjournment. Motion passed, official adjournment time being 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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