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Why is a Ford like a bathtub?
Because you like to be in it
but don't like to be seen in it.

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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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WEBSITE: www.bahcc.org

EDITOR'S NOTES:

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Please submit your "For Sale / Trade" or "Wanted" Classified Ad to run in the *Gaslight Gazette!*

Ads are FREE to Members and friends of Members.

Ads should be related to the car hobby.

Submit your Ad, with or without photo(s), to the Editor by the 23rd of the month, for the next issue.

Thanks,

Mark Cerruti, Editor

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President's Message

This President's Message will be a little different from normal. By the printing of this, it will have been a couple of weeks ago that I was at a memorial service for a car friend. It consisted of a backyard memorial service and buffet. I sat at a table with people I did not know. I find it interesting to learn from other people that know the person very well that they are memorializing.

We got on all kinds of subject matter related to the person that passed. Antique motorcycles, world travel, and other items. Then it got down to antique cars. So I was asked if I had cars, and my response was I have too many. A lady two seats down said that she belongs to the Ben Sharpsteen Museum and that she is a volunteer docent. She talked about the display that was done a year ago, and I told her I was pretty familiar with that display because I was involved in helping set it up.

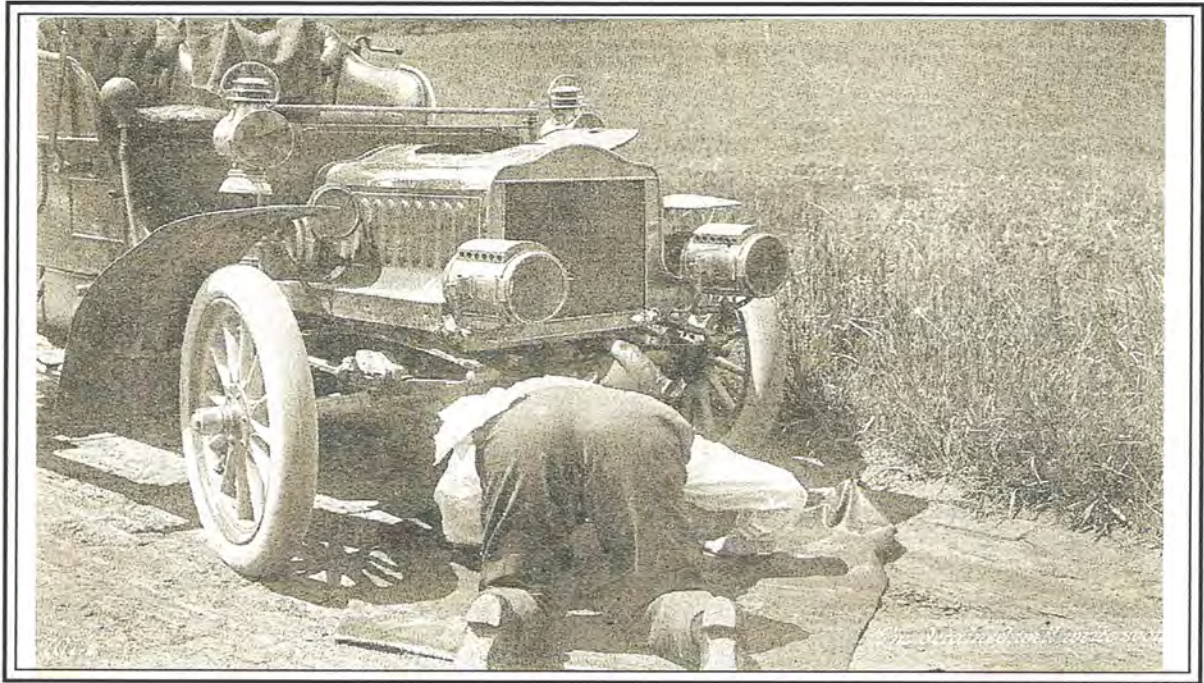
She said that it was one of the best displays they've ever had at the Museum. That's also the reason they asked for an extension. She said the public was extremely enthusiastic about the displays. I felt it was very nice to hear this from one of the docents. It got me thinking that we do not do very much public service to promote our hobby. So please think about how we can identify a "selective public" to promote our car hobby and our car club. Bring your thoughts to the next club meeting.

Tony



Green Brass Tour

March 14, 2020



Greetings:

I would like to tell you about our upcoming tour. It will be held March 14, 2020. A 35 mile round-trip.

The tour will start at nine o'clock to 10 o'clock, drivers meeting at 10 o'clock. We will leave for a short tour from Niles to Sunol. Then Foothill Road to Dublin Canyon Road and onto Palomares Road. Then back to Sunol, followed by pizza at Bronco Billy's

Trailer parking available.

Meet at 37645 2nd St., Niles Fremont California, between 9 and 10. Gary Mills car shop. This is the old firehouse.

Bronco Billy's Pizza, 37651 Niles Boulevard, California
Two block walk from fire station.

Bring your brass car, or any old car that's running. Bring your modern car if weather is disagreeable.

Any questions call Tony Wollesen at area code 408-264-2444

6th Annual

Blackhawk Car Show and Diablo Countryside Tour



Sunday, May 3, 2020
9:30 AM to 2:00 PM

3 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 on the Plaza in front of the Blackhawk Museum and talking with the museumgoers and other car enthusiasts.



#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.



Rather than simply reading about it, why don't you

Sign-up Today -- Email or Call

Tour co-chairmen

Ed Harley: epharley@pacbell.net 925-997-7710

Whitney Haist: haist2@comcast.net 925-899-4912

\$10 donation for picnic lunch

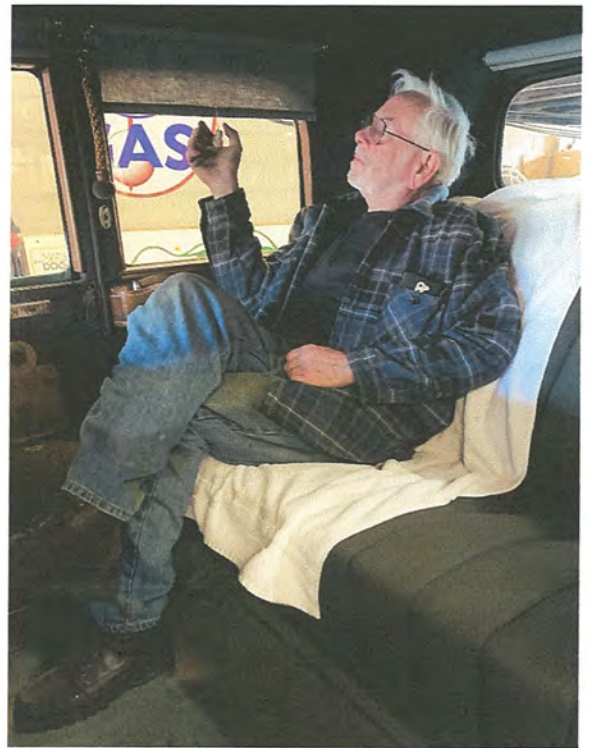
Park at the Danville Park n' ride at the intersection of highway 680 and Sycamore Valley Road in Danville. Be ready to depart by 9:30 am

Nuts & Bolts

Gary Mills' Garage
Niles, California
February 22, 2020



Gary's 1929 LaSalle ready for "front-end" assembly photo by Tony Wollesen



Tony Wollesen taking a break photo by Gerald Robinson



Cousin Jeremy Mills & Gary assemble a spring photo by Tony W.



Gerald Robinson & Whitney Haist wrenching photo by Tony



Back together and running! photo by Gerald Robinson

DESTINATION BAY AREA



The Bay Area is a target rich environment for tour destinations. For 2020, we already have a few events in the planning stages, but would like to have suggestions from some of you. Maybe you know of a hidden gem that you would like to share, or just somewhere we have not been for a few years. If you have ideas or would like to organize a tour, let me know. I am happy to help.

Norman Schwartz - your newly elected Tour Director
nandaschwartz@comcast.net



Nuts & Bolts

SATURDAY - March 7, 2020

Nuts & Bolts will be hosted by member Bill Hund at his Shop in Oakland, California

MECHANICS APPRECIATED

SPECTATORS WELCOME

Shop phone: 510-632-8880

Gerald's cell: 510-332-9588

The 2-cylinder Davis engine that powers Gerald Robinson's 1909 Schacht will be disassembled for inspection

COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS WILL BE SERVED

BILL HUND MACHINE WORKS

939 87th Aveune, Oakland CA - 9:00am to noon



Thank You

Gary & Wendy Mills
Walter & Ruth Sowell
Johnny & Christine Crowell
Paul & Toni Chapot
Steven Jackson
Douglas & Carol Marin
Rob & Marilyn Squire
Fred & Scheryn Pratt
Bernard & Anne Metais

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119-year-old, four-seater electric car to stay in Lansing — by Judy Putnam —

Debbie Stephens remembers raising her hand in her East Lansing Junior High School class to correct a teacher who told the students that Henry Ford invented the auto assembly line.

“My great-grandfather did that before he did,” Stephens recalls saying.

Ford’s claim to fame was the mechanized assembly line, but it was Stephens’ ancestor Ransom Eli Olds who came up with the idea for mass production. Workers in his factory would roll chassis on carts to allow parts to be added to them.

More than a half-century later, Stephens, who is now 66 and lives in Dublin, Ohio, is still fighting to preserve her great-grandfather’s legacy, which is deeply rooted in Lansing.

Debbie Stephens, her husband Peter Stephens, and a group of more than a dozen auto historians, companies and electric worker unions have scored a major victory in their efforts to keep that history alive in Lansing.

They spent three years raising money — they won’t say how much — to buy the only known surviving 1899 Olds electric car.

The 119-year-old four-seater has been on loan to the R.E. Olds Transportation Museum, but it was in danger of going into the hands of a private collector.



A 1906 Olds and a miniature copy, known as the "mama and baby" Olds are on display at R. E. Olds Transportation Museum in Lansing, Mich.

“It’s so much a part of R.E. Olds and the history of this museum it couldn’t go anywhere but here,” Bill Adcock, executive director of the museum, told [the Lansing State Journal](#).

It cements Olds’ legacy as the only auto pioneer who experimented with four types of power on early cars: steam, gas, electric and diesel. While electric cars seem like a recent development, early auto pioneers experimented with them. Though they were considered reliable, they were also very expensive.

Olds built his first vehicle in 1887, a three-wheel steam powered car with a gas boiler. By 1899, he had developed several different types

of motorized vehicles. That’s the year the Olds Motor Vehicle Co. and Olds Gasoline Engine Works were combined to form Olds Motor Works. Manufacturing was moved to Detroit.

Around that time, he was experimenting with electric cars and offered them for sale, though it’s unclear if any were ever sold. Olds electric was priced at \$1,600, which is \$48,000 in today’s prices. Other companies sold 8,000 electric cars by 1900, according to a history supplied by the museum.

A disastrous 1901 factory fire is believed have destroyed 15 Olds electric cars. The surviving electric Olds was likely off site at the time of the fire.

After the fire, Olds moved back to Lansing and dropped the electric vehicles to concentrate on the gas-powered Curved Dash, Debbie Stephens said.

“The gasoline cars were cheaper to produce. His goal was to make cars for what became the middle class,” she said.

But even if Olds continued to produce electric vehicles, he likely would have “hit the same wall” as other electric car manufacturers, said Peter Crisitello, a New Jersey auto history buff and expert on electric cars. Advancements in internal combustion engines made them the favored type of car, and gasoline power became the accepted technology over electric and steam for the rest of the 20th century.

With electric vehicles in the rear-view mirror and all but forgotten, the rare 1899 Olds electric was uncovered in a Lansing garage in 1959.

Two brothers, Don and Ken McDowell, purchased the car and stored it for years. In 1996, they loaned it to the R.E. Olds Transportation Museum.

The brothers have since died. After their deaths, the descendants started getting inquiries from car collectors to purchase it.

Stephens and others feared that the car might be sold to collector in Europe or Asia, never to be seen in Lansing again.

The three-year fundraising effort was led by Lansing attorney Jim Neal, a volunteer at the museum.

Neal and Adcock aren’t spilling how much they paid.

“It wouldn’t matter if I paid a dollar or \$100,000. It’s priceless. It’s one of a kind,” Adcock said. Debbie Stephens said she’s pleased that the car is staying. Though she left Lansing after college, her sister, Diana Tarpoff, and a cousin, Clela Gray, still live in the area.

Stephens and her husband also own a one-of-a-kind, crowd-pleaser pair of cars called a

“Mama” and “Baby” Olds, built in 1906. The Baby Olds is a miniature copy of the Mama. The cars still run. They’ve been on display at the museum since 2008 after the couple purchased them in an auction.

“We felt it was important to keep these in front of the public, because the automotive history is disappearing. And that’s something Peter and I and many others are concerned about, especially here in Lansing,” she said.


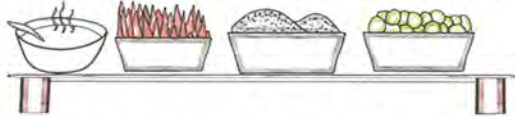

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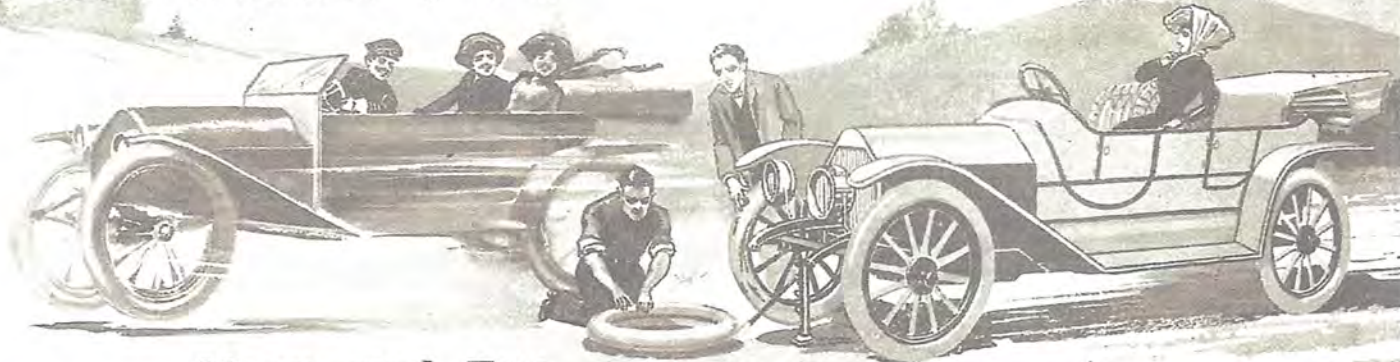
BAHCC Club Meetings, Events and Tours Calendar

Meetings and Events Managed by: Gerald Robinson (1-510-332-9588)

Tony Wollesen (1-408-264-2444)

Month	Date/Day	Events	Speaker/ Special Event
March	Mar 4 Wednesday	General Meeting	Piedmont Community Center - 7:30pm. After the formal Club Meeting, members can socialize or engage in car talk. 
	Mar 7 th Saturday	Nuts & Bolts	Bill Hund Welding & Machining 939 87 th Ave - Oakland
	Mar 14 Saturday	TOUR	Green Brass Tour (see Flyer) Co-Chairs: Gary Mills and Tony Wollesen
	Mar 18 th Wednesday	BOD Meeting	Crowell Residence - 7:30pm 2874 Fieldview Terrace, San Ramon
April	Apr 1 st Wednesday	General Meeting	Spring Potluck and Auction - Piedmont Community Center - 6:30pm  Bring Food. Bring Auction Items. Raise your Paddle High  Chris Crowell: Activity Chair Ed Archer: Auctioneer
	Apr 4 th Saturday	Nuts & Bolts	Location TBD.
	Apr 15 th Wednesday	BOD Meeting	Location TBD.
May	May 3 rd Sunday	TOUR	Blackhawk Car Show & Countryside Tour (see Flyer) Danville, CA - 9:30am
	May 6 th Wednesday	General Meeting	Piedmont Community Center - 7:30pm.
	May 20 th Wednesday	BOD Meeting	Location TBD.

Events . . .



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Non - BAHCC events that may be of interest

March 20 - 21	Chickasha Pre-war Swap Meet	Chickasha, OK	Mike Ersland 405-224-9090
April 16 - 18	Bakersfield Tour & Swap Meet	Bakersfield, CA	Tour: Gil Klecan, gilklecan@hotmail.com Swap Meet: Tom Lane, tlane12931@yahoo.com
April 19 - 22	HCCA National Convention & Tour	Stateline, NV	hcca.org
May 21 - 23	Lodi Tour <i>(see flyer)</i>	Lodi, CA	Evo & Steve Coelho 925-634-3122
May 29 - 31	Swanton Campout	Swanton, CA	Brian Harlamoff vblackshadow@hotmail.com
June 8 - 12	Nickel Era Tour	Moscow, ID	John Manifor 562-665-0381
June 11 - 14	Western Gaslight 1 & 2 Cyl Tour	Albany, OR	Gerry & Sandy Grulkey 503-873-4788
June 14	Endurance Run & Lowland Tour	Hollister CA	scvmtfc.org
June 14	Pava Tour & Ice Cream Social	Shingle Springs, CA	David@Pava.com 530-677-2923
July 12	Hillsborough Concours d'Elegance	Hillsborough, CA	hillsboroughconcours.org
August 5 - 9	Ryan Ramble	Sacramento, CA	Matt Ryan 916-747-7046
August 13	Pebble Beach Tour d'Elegance	Pebble Beach, CA	pebblebeachconcours.net
August 16	Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance	Pebble Beach, CA	pebblebeachconcours.net
September 20	Antique Autos in History Park	San Jose, CA	Allan Greenberg allang@pacbell.net
September 26	Ironstone Concours d'Elegance	Murphys, CA	ironstoneconcours.org
October 7 - 10	Hershey Swap Meet	Hershey, PA	hershey.aaca.com

Contact the Editor to add a pre-war auto-related event to this Calendar



South Bay Vintage Touring Club, formally NATC Nickel Age Touring Club



Cars of 1913-1927

May 21, 22, 23, 2020

Hotel Holiday Inn Express 1337 East Kettleman Lane

Phone number 209-210-0150

To make reservations and to get a discount of \$159 + Taxes a night,
use a group code **"CAR"**

Rooms available with double queens or single king. Make hotel reservations as soon as possible to guarantee the use of the hotel meeting room.

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May 21, 2020

Afternoon tour starts at 1 PM

Tour to Mickey Grove Historical Museum, five dollar entry fee.

Return to hotel, dinner on your own.

May 22, 2020

9:30 AM, tour to Pat Craig's Museum and car shop.

Lunch stop at the Waterloo Club, lunch on your own.

Tour to McFarlane Ranch. A historical site and we will be able to have a tour there.

Tour back to hotel, for a banquet in the hotel meeting room.

May 23, 2020

9:30 AM, tour to Ione, lunch at Castle Oaks Golf Club, Caddy Shack.

Lunch will be on your own. Also there's a Chinese, Mexican restaurant in town.

Tour of Sanders Brothers aviation. For a tour.

Return to hotel, for a banquet in the hotel meeting room. The end of the banquet is also the end of the tour.

SOUTH BAY VINTAGE TOURING CLUB

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express, Lodi California

1337 East Kettleman Lane, area code 209-210-0150

We booked a block of rooms, use group code "CAR" for discount
May 21 22 and 23, 2020

This is a hub tour headquartered in in Lodi California. There will be Scenic stops and interesting things to do and see.
Tour routes will be on rural roads for the most part.

On May 21, 2020 we will do an afternoon tour to Mickey Grove, to the Historical Museum, five dollar entry fee.

Friday, May 22, 2020, we will tour to Pat Craig's Museum. Then lunch at Waterloo club, Lunch on your own. Then continue on to McFarlane ranch, a restored, historical site. Back to hotel, for Happy Hour and a banquet in the hotel meeting room.

Saturday, May 23, 2020 we will tour to lunch stop at Castle Oaks golf club. Lunch will be on your own. Then motor on to Sanders Brothers Aviation, for a tour, then back to the hotel for an evening banquet at the hotel meeting room.

Space will be limited so get your applications in early with a \$50

Deposit. Make checks payable to: NATC

Send to: Evo & Steve Coelho, 2770 Chestnut St., Brentwood, CA 94513

Phone 925-634-3122

Limited to cars manufactured 1913 to 1928. Nickel cars

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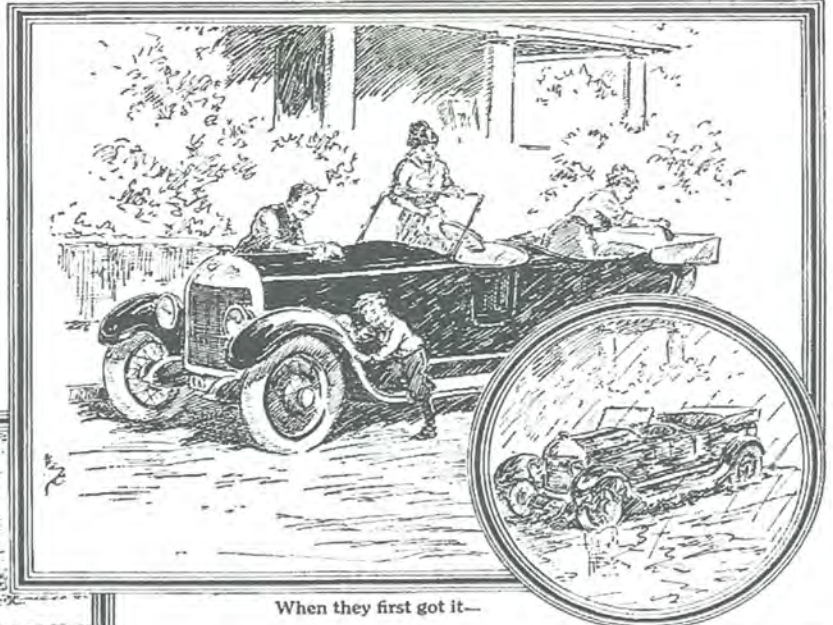
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Evo and Steve Coelho TOUR CHAIRMEN
More information call at area code 925-634-3122

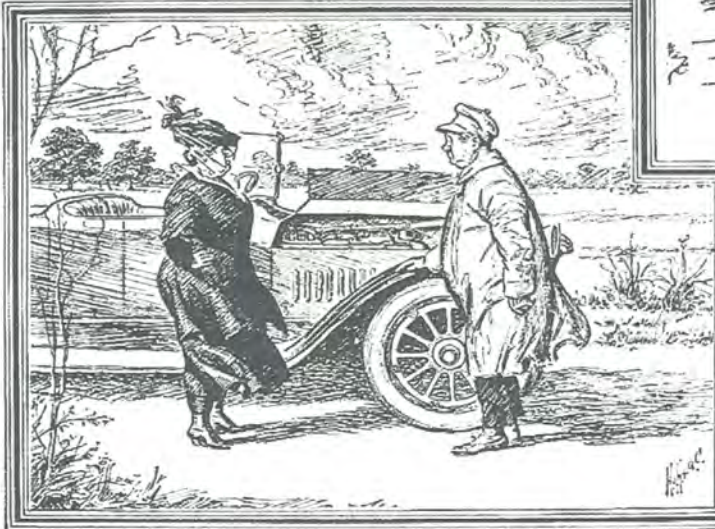
Laughs at the Motorists' Expense



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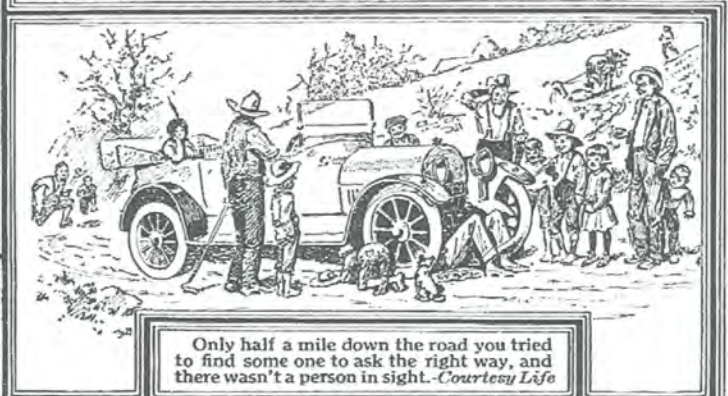
—After they'd had it six months.

—Courtesy Judge



Hubby—"Hang it! One of my cylinders is missing."
 "That's just like you, Alfred, you're always mislaying things."

—Courtesy Judge



Only half a mile down the road you tried to find some one to ask the right way, and there wasn't a person in sight.—Courtesy Life



INDOOR SPORTS —

TRYING TO BULL THE TIRE SALESMAN INTO A NEW TIRE AFTER YOU HAVE RUN THIS ONE OVER 8000 MILES

OUR TIRES MAKE THE ROAD SOFT

YOU'LL FIND SYMPATHY IN THE DICTIONARY

AIN'T THAT A SQUAWK FET-YER LIFE

IT'S AN IMPOSITION I'VE ONLY GONE 1000 MILES AND THE TIRES GONE — IT AIN'T THE PRICE BUT IT'S THE TROUBLE

UM-UM — I UNDERSTAND — LOOKS AS THOUGH IT HAD RUN ITSELF RIGHT TO A STANDSTILL

LOOKS AS THOUGH IT DIED OF OLD AGE TO ME

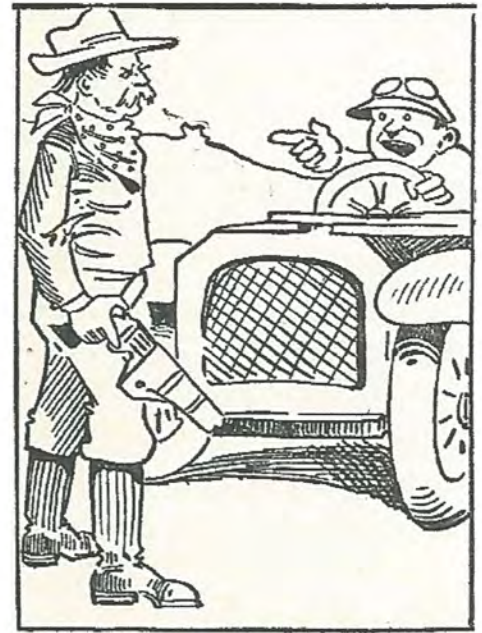
HE AIN'T HAD THAT TIRE OFF SINCE FORD WAS A BOY — I CAST ME FOIST VOTE THE DAY HE BOT IT

IF FERME WAS A HALL BEDROOM THAT GUY WOULD BE A STADIUM

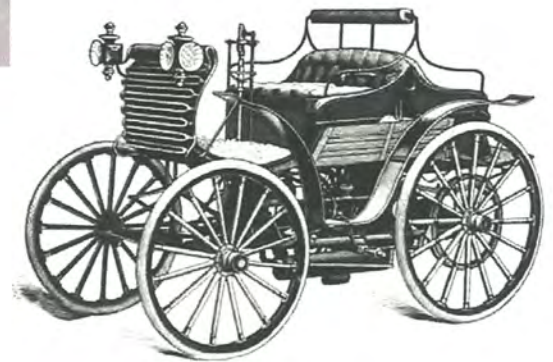
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"Get out the road or I'll run over you. I've got a sixty horse power."
 "Come on, I haven't got sixty horse, but I have got forty-eight colts. You can't get by that."



Happy Anniversary!

Don & Pam Johnson	March 7th, 1964
Wayne & Linda Sheldon	March 19th, 1977
Ron & Bea Reak	March 21st, 1964
Curtis & Diane Marin	March 25th, 1977
Wes & Henrietta Crowell	March 31st, 1992

Happy Birthday!

Ben Kopman	March 2
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
Gene Hironimus	March 13
Mark Cerruti	March 14
Brian Harlamoff	March 15
Rob Guzzetta	March 16
Bob Rosen	March 20



Courtesy of Jon Alff

HCCA NATIONAL NEWS



Re: Chickasha Swap Meet, More Planning, 2020 HCCA National Convention, Reliability Tour, etc
Issue: 2020-02-01 #02

- **Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet Update** -

From a recent email: "The Ersland Family has just announced that the [Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet](#) will continue! The upcoming 30th Annual Chickasha Swap Meet will be held, as scheduled, on March 20-21, 2020....but it won't be the last! The tradition will continue. The Ersland family members have decided that it will continue.....hopefully far into the future. Come join the fun in Chickasha OK, just a 40 minute drive from OKC airport."

- **Planning for 2020** - One month into the New Year 2020, here is the latest Tours listing from the HCCA Website:

- 30th Annual Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet. Host - Mike & Susie Ersland.
 - Bakersfield Swap Meet 2020. Sponsors - National HCCA and Kern County Model "T" Ford Club.
 - HCCA National Convention, Stateline, NV. Host - Don Plumb
 - IDNET 2020 - Nickel Era Tour, Moscow, ID. Hosts - Jim & Susan Stutzman.
 - 64th Annual HCCA Regional Midwest Tour, Norfolk, NE. Host - Don and Marlene Ohnstad.
 - Board of Directors' Meeting, Columbia, MO, Stoney Creek Hotel and Conference Center
 - 2020 HCCA National Tour, Circle Missouri Progressive Tour. Host - Chris Paulson
 - "Downeast and Beyond" 2020 North Jersey/Southern Ontario Tour, Belfast, Maine. Host - Fran & Bruce Hoffman.
 - 2020 Midwest Steam Car Tour, Cedar Rapids, IA. Host - Mark Culver
- Check the Gazette, as well as the Club Web site, to see dates, and the latest updates.

- **2020 HCCA National Convention Registration Reminder** - Harrah's Last Hurrah --

Dates: April 19 thru 23, 2020
Location: Harrah's Lake Tahoe in Stateline, Nevada

Commemorating Bill Harrah's legendary Reno tours with special recognition to attendees who toured with Mr. Harrah and Mr. Harrah's cars.

The tour will include a trip to the National Auto Museum and Virginia City.
For more information contact Don Plumb at plumbline@comcast.net or 503-720-0020.

- **AACA / HCCA Reliability Tour** - The annual AACA Reliability Tour is opening participation to HCCA members. If you are an HCCA members, you can participate without being an AACA member.

- Eligible vehicles: 1915 and earlier.
- Tour Schedule: July 19 - 24, 2020
- Tour Location: Lock Haven-Wellsboro, PA
- Chairman: Bob Giles - 814-266-2780
- Registration: Judy Fischer, 56 Smith Road, Somerset, NJ - 732-873-3094.

- **HCCA Tour Publicity Food For Thought**

A local club Car Show planner was wondering how to give a tour a bit of added interest. Last year they added a "Century Class Parade" to their event, highlighting 100 year old vehicles. It was a big hit, so this year, they decided to add a new twist, since 2020 is the 100th anniversary of passage of the Nineteenth Amendment, women's suffrage. The women tourists in period garb in their cars will be Suffragette's. Now their parade will be history in action. That will really bring their historic vehicles alive. What better way to present our early cars, than as part of the interesting national history, of which they were a significant part!

- **Helping to Share The HCCA News** - The National News Editor is always looking for some good HCCA news. This is where you all come in. How does the Editor get all the news to share? Well, some will come from Board members, some from the Regional and Affiliate Registries, but I also need to hear from YOU. If I don't know it, then I can't share it, so

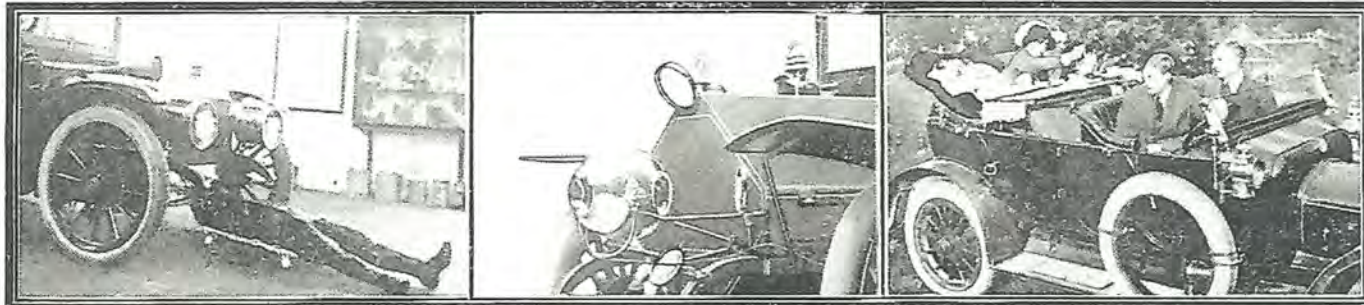
Send me an email at:

Doug Tomb / Douglas.tomb@verizon.net

Board Member - HCCA NN Editor . . .

Ideas That May Help—And Others

Some Good, Some Near Good and Some Merely Curious Suggestions Offered
By Ambitious Inventors for the Benefit of Receptive Car Owners

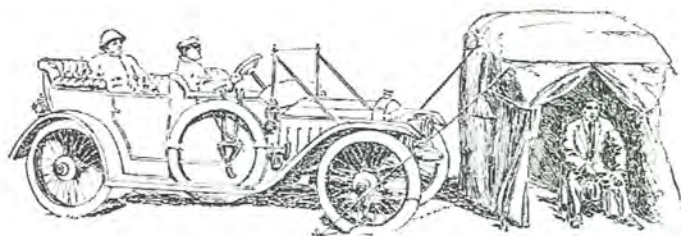


Saves Clothes—Prevents Chills

Q A NEW DEVICE for the use of the man who wishes to examine the intimate parts of his car, is the Auto-creeper. It is a little flat platform on small wheels, upon which the seeker after automobile troubles is directed to lie on his back. He may then pull himself around easily beneath his machine. Its makers claim that through its use, it is possible to make adjustments or periodical examinations of the steering gear, axles, etc., without soiling the clothes of the user, or running the risk of a chill from lying on the cold floor. The device in action is illustrated on this page.

The Light Without The Glare

Q THERE is much ingeniousness in the automobile headlight shown above. It is claimed it will adequately illumine the highway ahead, without any of that confusing glare that is under the ban in many American cities. It consists of a metal globe which contains the lamp, this globe having four lenses through which the light is thrown upon four reflectors at correct angles on the frame of the car. These reflectors distribute the light indirectly, throwing it upon the road ahead, but, as already said, without dazzling the eyes of pedestrians or other drivers.



An Auto Top Tent

Q AN ENGLISHMAN touring in India in districts where hotels were sometimes not handy at nightfall, has devised an automobile hood to be used as a tent, which may appeal to many Americans, making trips this summer in their cars, who wish to enjoy the added pleasure of camping out. The idea of this hood may be better appreciated from the illustration. When used on the car it has the appearance of the ordinary hood, but its special features make it possible to convert it very quickly into a shelter, for all practical purposes as good as a tent.

Combined Windshield and Lunch Table

Q THE makers of at least one wind shield, designed for the protection of the occupants of the rear seats, have so arranged the adjustment screws and joints, that the shield may be lowered to a horizontal position over the laps of the passengers and made to serve as a luncheon table. This does away with the necessity of holding food precariously in the lap, also obviates the need of carrying along any one of the many, but hardly ever, very steady, automobile tables that are on the market. The device is illustrated above.

The Automobile in Biblical Prophecy

Q THE chariots shall be with flaming torches in the day of his preparation. The chariots shall rage in the streets, they shall jostle one against the other in the broad ways, they shall seem like torches, they shall run like lightnings."—Nahum, II: 3 and 4.

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Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club General Meeting Minutes February 5, 2020

The meeting was held at the Piedmont Community Center where President Tony Wollensen called the meeting to order. Tony introduced a guest Gaffney Smith from Novato who is looking for a Locomobile.

The Minutes of the January 8, 2020 meeting were accepted as written.

Officer's Reports:

Board Chair Ed Harley said he had nothing new to report.

Vice President Christine Crowell was not in attendance.

Treasurer Whitney Haist reported that the Club's books were up-to-date and balanced. He reported 2019 dues, donations and advances were over \$8,000 while expenses were about \$4,800. The books are kept on a cash basis. He will be filing the Club's tax return.

Editor Mark Cerruti reported that everything with the newsletter is going well and that he needs submissions for the next newsletter by February 23. He will be adding a "For Sale" section to the newsletter.

Tour Chairman Norman Schwartz reported that he has compiled a list of 20 to 25 possible tours and he needs members to volunteer to sponsor one or more. Tony Wollensen gave an update on the Green Brass tour to be held on March 14 in Niles, CA. Vince O'Brien has volunteered to host the Club's appearance at the Danville car show on July 22.

Nuts & Bolts Chair Gerald Robinson announced that the next Nuts & Bolts session will be held on February 22 at Gary Mills shop in Niles. They will be reviewing his Brass Era car collection and working on his LaSalle's front suspension.

Gerald also announced that Bill Austen has a large number of the HCCA Gazettes and will be giving them away. Gerald volunteered to pick them up.

Old Business:

Previously, Don Johnson and Donna Jones had volunteered to find out the source and price of the jackets used by the Redwood Empire Model T Club. There was no news about this.

New Business:

It was announced that the Valentine's Tour has been cancelled.

The Christmas party was discussed and noted that a committee needs to be formed for it. It was generally agreed that it should be held on a Saturday. It was reported that Piedmont is charging the Club \$1,400.00 for ten weekday nights and one Saturday.

The next general meeting is March 4 at the Piedmont Community Center. The next Board meeting is February 19 at

Johnny and Christine Crowell's home. (This was subsequently changed to February 12.)

Refreshments were provided by Carolee Morrison.

Entertainment was provided by Ed Archer, who described his very interesting experience entering a Model T Speedster in the Baja 1,000 in the 1970's.

The meeting was adjourned.

Vince O'Brien, Secretary



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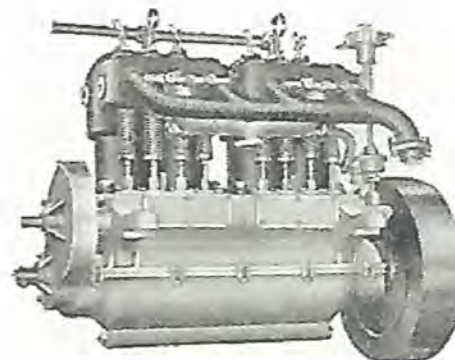
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Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club

Board of Director's Minutes

February 12, 2020

In attendance:

Tony Wollesen
Vince O'Brien
Johnny Crowell
Christine Crowell
Norman Schwartz
Gerald Robinson
Mark Cerruti

The meeting was held at the home of Johnny and Christine Crowell.

Tony Wollesen called the meeting to order.

Secretary Vince O'Brien apologized that he had left the February 5, 2020 general meeting minutes at home. It was agreed that Tony Wollesen and Mark Cerruti would review them.

Norman Schwartz reported that he and Adria were contemplating holding a meeting and movie night at their garage. This was received with great enthusiasm but it was suggested that it be a matinee. The type of movie was discussed with a number of auto related movies suggested.

Norman also reported that the Bay Area chapter of the AACA is beginning to hold monthly tours.

The 4th of July parade and picnic was noted. Norman suggested a late April tour of the Iris farms in Napa and a

tour of the local garden railroads. He noted that there were a number of beautiful gardens with elaborate model railroads in the area.

Gerald Robinson announced that Brian Harlamoff was repeating his pre-war camping weekend at Swanton, May 29 to 31. He also reported that the next Nut & Bolts would be at Gary Mills garage in Niles on Saturday February 22. The garage is in an old fire station. They would be working on the steering on a LaSalle.

Bill Hund is also considering a Nuts & Bolts with the project to be determined. Mark Cerruti volunteered to hold one at his shop too.

Tony Wollensen announced that the South Bay Vintage Touring Club would be holding a Nickel Tour in Lodi on May 21 to 23. A member of the club will be writing a column for the BAHCC newsletter.

Johnny Crowell, membership chairman, will follow up with the ten members who haven't renewed their membership.

Gerald Robinson reported that the website had been shut down for failing to pay the fee for the domain name. The oversight has been corrected. Allen Greenberg may help with the website. Norman volunteered his daughter Julia assistance as that is her profession.

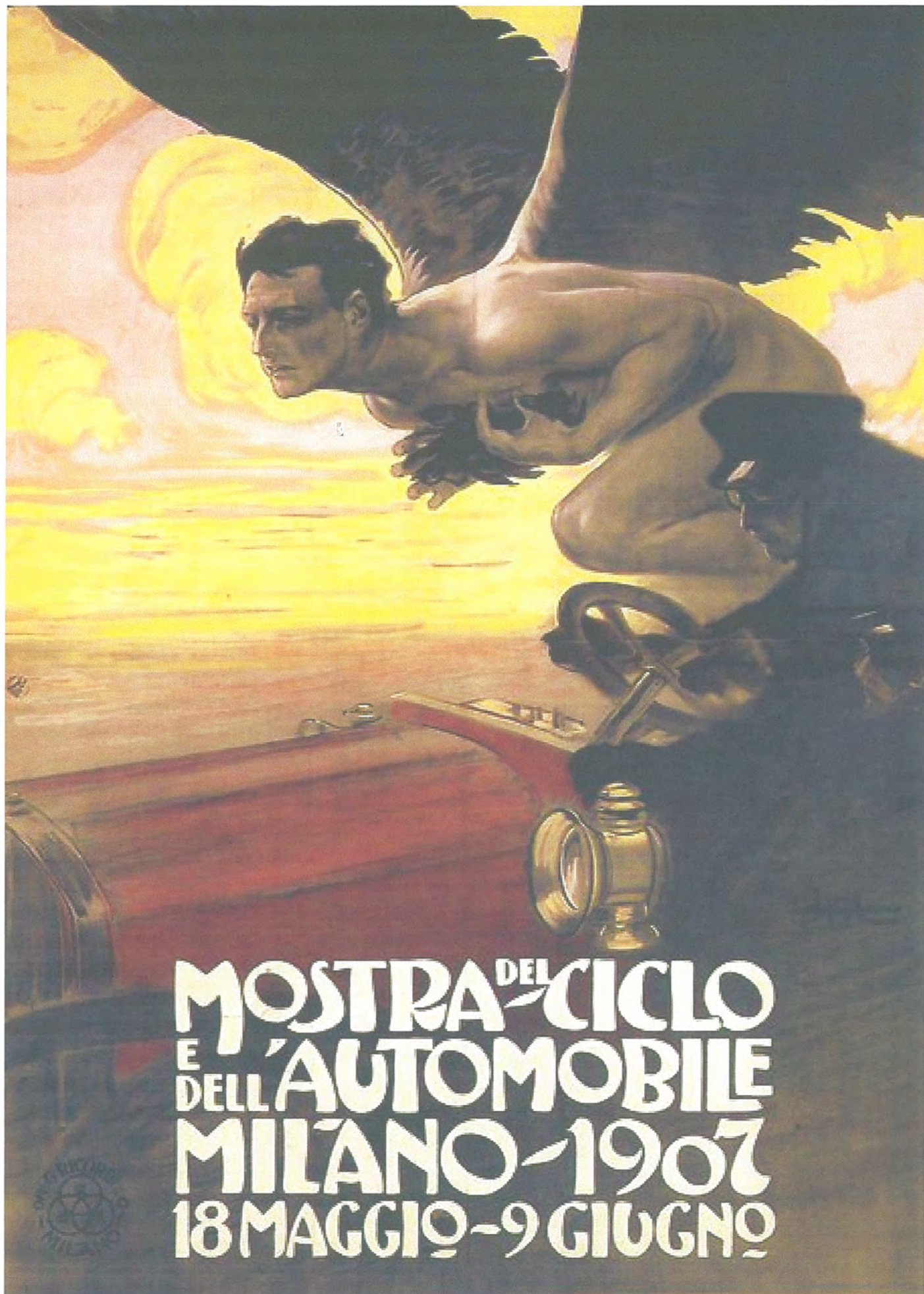
The next General Membership Meeting is to be held on March 4th and the Piedmont Community Center at 7:30 pm. The next Board Meeting is March 18th at 7:30 pm at Johnny and Christine's home in San Ramon.

The meeting was adjourned.

Vince O'Brien



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