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~ SOME WAY ~
"Why, when you were so deeply
in debt, did you buy an auto?"
"Didn't I have to have some way
of escaping my creditors?"

The BAY AREA HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB (BAHCC) was founded in 1950 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

This month, November 4, 2020 at 7:30 PM will be the Zoom club meeting. We have the nominating committee of Ed Harley and Mark Cerruti, and they have a slate of new members to participate in positions on the new board. So please participate in voting on the Zoom general meeting.

Club jacket order forms are now available.

Last general meeting of the 70th year of the club, members gave a talk about the beginning days and the early history of the tours; this was of great interest to all of us. Some of the interest was the early tours called "caravans" instead of "tours" which we call them today. One of the tours was the 1954 Reno tour. Bill Harrah made a movie, a 16mm movie that I borrowed once. I made a copy and put it on a DVD. If we have time after the election, I will play at least part of that movie.

So please join the Zoom meeting and vote for the new board.

Tony



A Poetic Fall Tour

*It was Sunday morning and a beautiful day
The lunches were packed and we were on our way*

*Off to a picnic in our old cars and more
A visit to Joan's pumpkin patch just South of Livermore*

*We were all masked and distanced, appropriately
We had seven early cars out for the drive to be*

*It was a chance to see friends, old and new
All in all, an enthusiastic crew*

*Traveling out through the golden hills in our cars
Makes you think how lucky we are*

*No Burma Shave signs along the way
But it was still a memorable day*

*We drove the back roads down Livermore way
With a stop to picnic and an hour's stay*

*On to Joan's Pumpkin Farm and patch
Where we all spent time looking for the ultimate pumpkin catch*

*At Joan's we parked prominently under the shade trees
A perfect spot for all to see*

*There were throngs of people and pumpkins galore
All drawn to this place to celebrate fall and Halloween lore*

*With our pumpkins chosen and securely stored
It was time, once again, for our cars to roar*

*It was about fifty miles round trip that day
With good exercise for our cars all the way*

*Although this year, adventures are lean
We look forward to the next time we can reconvene*

The Schwartz Family



Photo by Schwartz Family



Photo by Schwartz Family



Photo by Ed Harley



Photos by Ed Harley





*Photos by
Schwartz family*



Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club Jackets Are Here!



The new Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club Jackets are made by Dickies and will have the "Horseless Carriage Club of America" logo on the front and the "Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club" logo on the back. The Jackets are nylon, lined, with outside pockets and pocket inside, drawstring waist and elastic around the wrists. These are unisex sized in S, M, L, XL, XXL and XXXL.

Cost is \$65* per Jacket. (*\$68 for XXXL)

Questions?? Rob Guzzetta - splithead6fan@gmail.com

Use form below, or facsimile, and remit with payment to:
Whitney Haist
12 Sunrise Hill Road
Orinda, CA 94563

Please place Order by November 30, 2020

Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club Jacket Order Form

Name _____

Number of Jackets _____

Address _____

Size(s) _____

Phone # _____

Total (Jackets x \$65.) \$ _____

CCCA Car Show at Blackhawk Museum

Saturday, October 3, 2020

The NorCal Region of the *Classic Car Club of America* displayed about a dozen of their automobiles on the Plaza in front of the Museum. BAHCC members were in attendance, including Johnny & Chris Crowell, George & Anne Teebay and Max Neary.



Crowell's 1931 LaSalle



1928 Rolls Royce



1928 Pierce Arrow with rare Philips body



1931 Cadillac



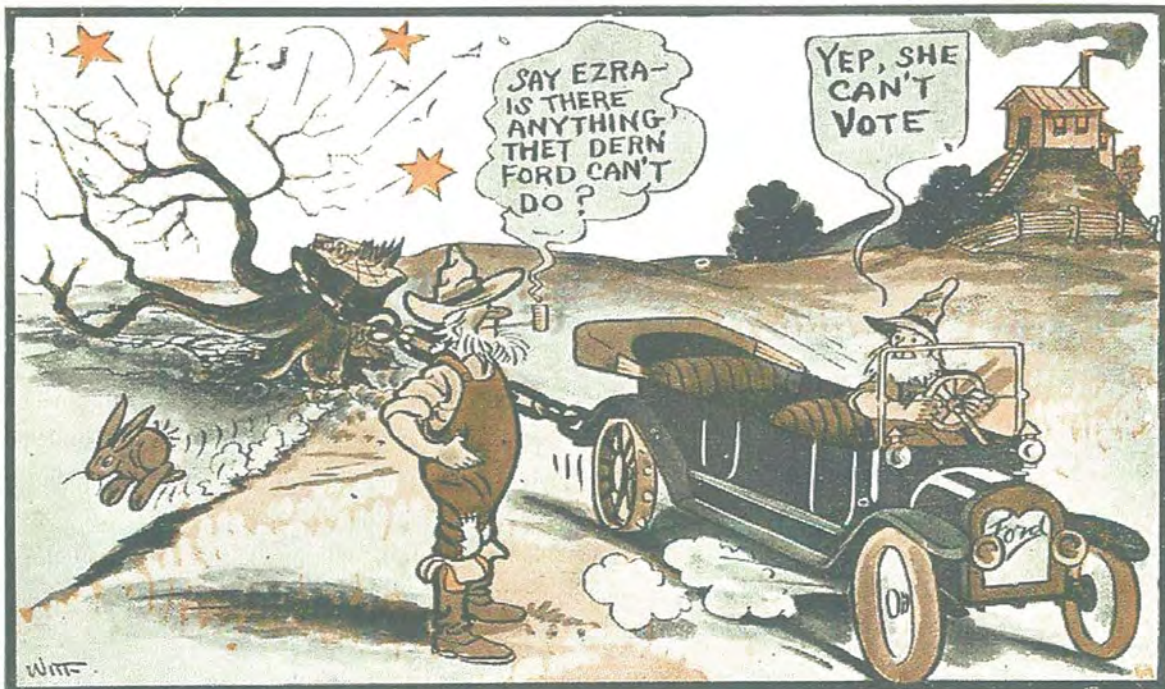
Tebbay's 1934 Pierce Arrow



1941 Packard




1922 Lincoln





BAHCC Club Meetings, Events and Tours Calendar


Meetings and Events Managed by: Gerald Robinson (510) 332-9588
Tony Wollesen (408) 264-2444

Month	Date/Day	Events	Speaker/ Special Event
Nov 2020	Wednesday November 4 th	General Meeting	NO Meeting at the Piedmont Community Center! Join the live zoom Meeting @ 7:30pm
	Wednesday November 11 th	BoD Meeting	zoom Meeting - 7:30pm
Dec 2020	Wednesday December 2 nd	Joint - General & Board Meeting	Join the live zoom Meeting @ 7:30pm  The Holiday Party has been cancelled 
Jan 2021	Wednesday January 6 th	General Meeting	Join the live zoom Meeting @ 7:30pm
	Wednesday January 20 th	BoD Meeting	zoom Meeting - 7:30pm




Contact Gerald Robinson if you did not receive ZOOM Invitation, or if you should need any assistance.

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100 PLACES SEEN  \$1.00 FOR THE TRIP

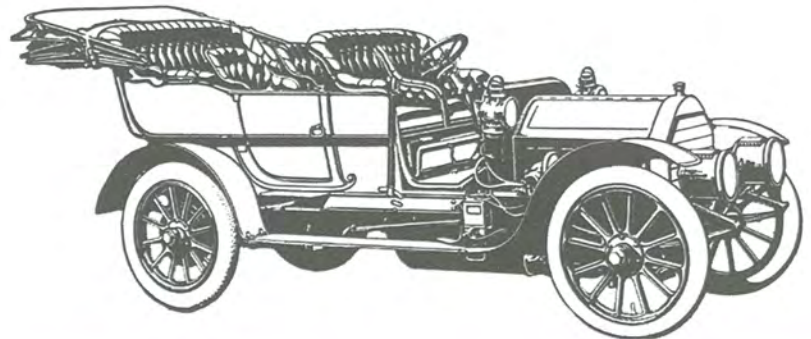
Personally Conducted Excursions to Berkeley, the University of California and the Famous Greek Theatre.



By Ferry, Train, Trolley and Automobile

ALL FOR A DOLLAR

Under the auspices of the Berkeley Chamber of Commerce. At 10:15 a. m. and 2:15 p. m. daily. Leave Key Route Depot at the Ferry Building, foot of Market Street. Tickets can be obtained at 673 Market Street and Key Route Ferry Ticket Office.



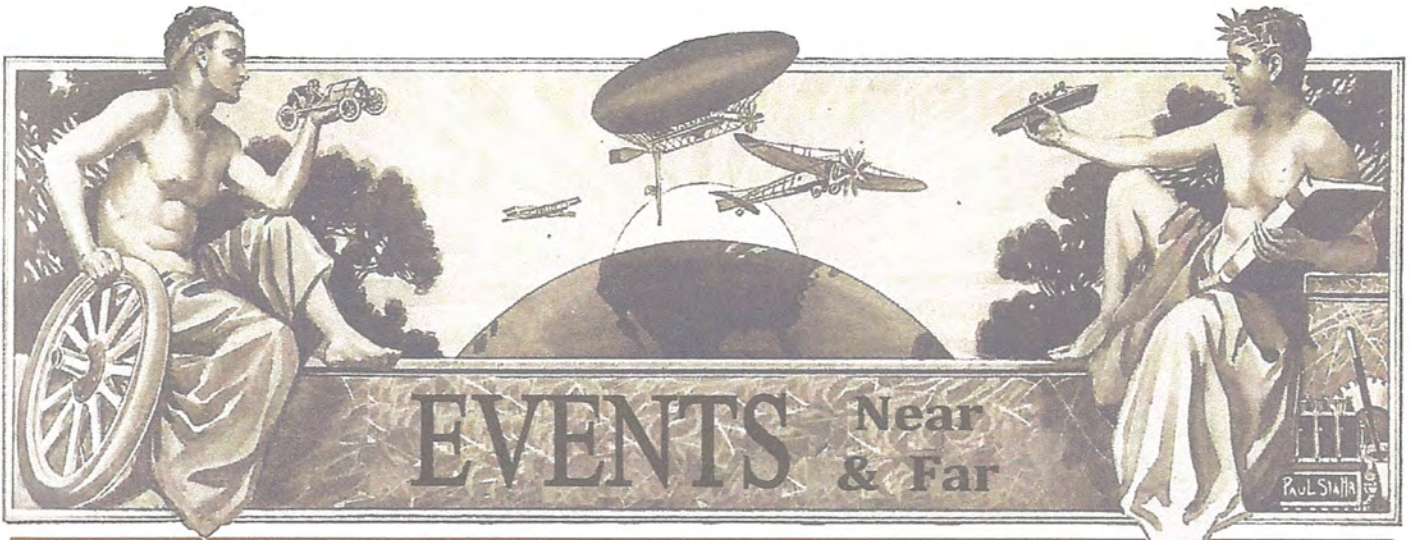
FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD!

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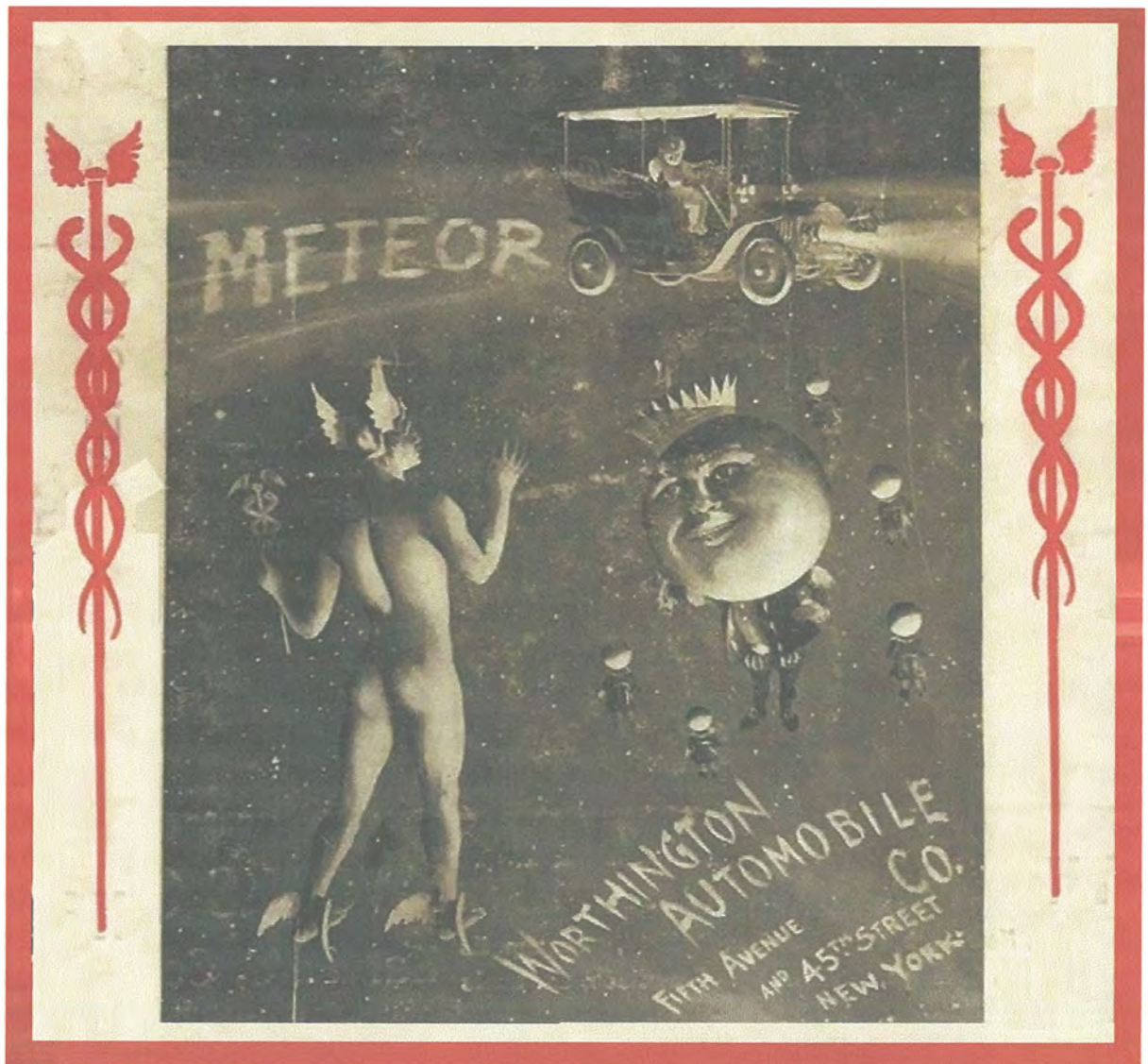


Non - BAHCC events that may be of interest

December 27 Holiday Motor Excursion Arcadia, CA socalhcca.com

~~January 30 & 31 Turlock Swap Meet Turlock, CA turl **CANCELLED**.com~~

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





Each team is composed of a driver and a mallet man

An auto-polo match in progress on the aviation field at Garden City. Rushing the ball down the field

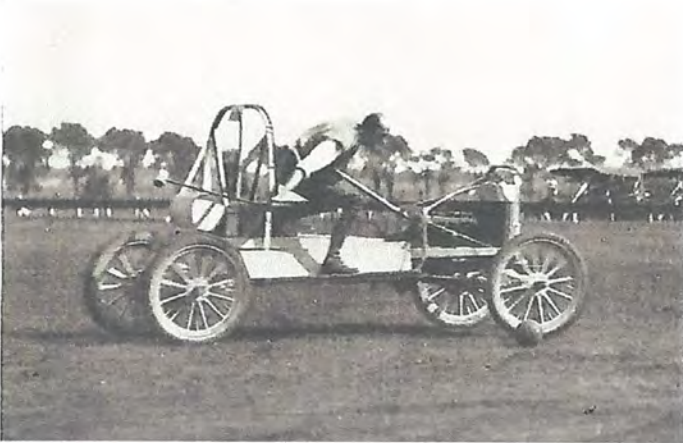
AUTO-POLO

A NEW GAME FOR
LOVERS OF THRILLS

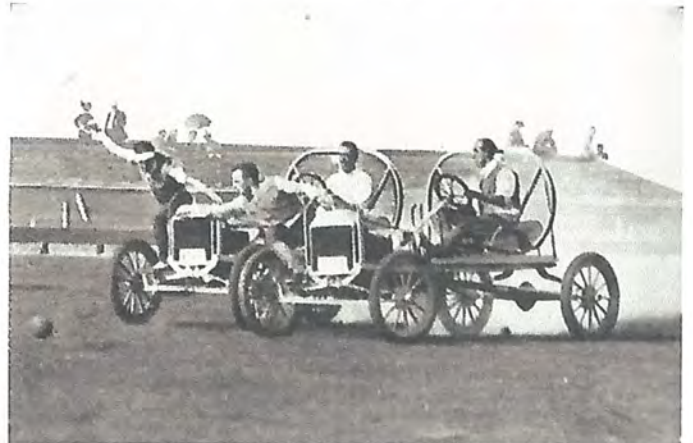
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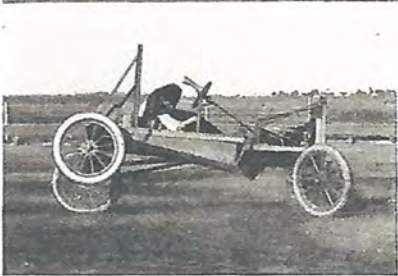
The rules are similar to those of pony polo, with some necessary modifications



Occasionally a match is played in which each car is manned by only one player, who must handle both steering wheel and mallet



The thrilling moments occur when both teams ride for the ball, or one attempts to ride the other off. Collisions are to be expected



The ring-like guard behind the players prevents the machine from falling on them when overturned





Courtesy of Johnny Crowell

AUTO REPAIRS

Gosh - no repair jobs
- guess everybody's usin'

**SUNOCO
OIL**

FORMS NO HARD CARBON

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The Last Laugh

A red-headed man met a bald-headed man on the street one day. Said the red-headed man: "I see they didn't seem to have much hair where you came from."

"Huh!" retorted the bald-headed one. "There was plenty o' hair but it was all red and I wouldn't have it."

Johnnie Knows

Teacher—"Do you know, Johnnie, where shingles were first used?"

Johnnie (modestly)—"I'd rather not tell."

Amen!

"Do you remember," asked the history teacher, "how many folks came over in the *Mayflower*?"

"Well," said the bright boy, "I figure there must have been at least fifteen million unless there are a lot of liars in this country."

Making Amends



"John," complained Mrs. Longwed, "before we were married you used to bring me flowers every week, and now you haven't brought me any in ten years!"

"I'm sorry, wife; I'll do better."

That night he brought her a cauliflower.

That Depends

"Telephones are great time-savers, aren't they?"

"Well, that depends upon who calls you up."

Just Landed

Grace—"I told him he mustn't see me any more."

Her Brother—"Well, what did he do?"

Grace—"Turned out the lights!"

The Reason

Jessie—"You seem to like his attentions. Why don't you marry him?"

Jennie—"Because I like his attentions."

A Safe Play

He—"If I stole a kiss would you scream for your parents?"

She—"No, not unless you wanted to kiss the family."



Who's Who at Home

Elsie—"There's a man at the door, pa, that wants to see the boss of the house."

Pa—"Tell your mother."

Ma (calling downstairs)—"Tell the cook."

Impossible



"Now, look pleasant and natural, please," urged the photographer.

"Can't be done," murmured the sitter's wife, who accompanied him. "If he looked pleasant he wouldn't look natural."

Zam!

He—"And is it my declaration that surprises you so much?"

She—"No, it's your nerve."

Johnnie's Job

Wife—"Now show me the Italian front on the map, dear."

Husband—"No, indeed. Wait until Johnnie gets home. That's what we are sending him to school for."

Who Would?

Daughter—"Now you've gone and spoiled everything. George doesn't come to see me any more."

Mother—"Well, what more could I do? Didn't we treat him like one of the family?"

Daughter—"You did. And he wouldn't stand for it."

Consistency

"Oh, George," reproached the young wife. "It was after twelve when you got home last night."

"Well, well," exclaimed the young husband, "you women are certainly inconsistent. Before we were married you didn't used to worry a bit about how late I got home!"

Still Busy

Binks—"Why don't you bring back that umbrella I lent you?"

Chinks—"Can't spare it. It rains all the time."

Damages



"Ooo-boo-boo-hoo," wailed the little girl. "He's broken my hoop wif his nasty bicycle!"

"Has he?" asked the police officer angrily. "Where is he? I'll fix him!"

"They've just carried him into that drug store on a shutter. He broke my hoop. Boo-hoo!"

A Necessity

"Mornin', Rastus, yo' all coming to de pacifist meetin' to-night?"

"I doan think so. I done misplaced my razor."

A Real Loss

"My butler left me without any warning."

"There are worse things than that. Mine left me without any spoons."

Interested

Mistress (to cook)—"I have some friends coming to dinner to-day, Mary, so I want you to do your very best. I'd like something especially nice if you can manage it."

Cook—"You can depend upon me, mum; I've got some friends of me own comin'!"

KINDLY ACTS WE NEVER FORGET



The youthful agriculturalist volunteers to pull us out of the mud.



Happy Anniversary!

Knute & MaryJoan Kleinen	Nov 4th, 1961
Johnny & Christine Crowell	Nov 18th, 1995
Robert & Kelly Stone	Nov 19th, 1995
John & Carolee Morrison	Nov 27th, 1982



Happy Birthday!

Pam Johnson	Nov 7
Darlene Coelho	Nov 10
Linda Pearson	Nov 11
Nancy Byl	Nov 12
John Vitale	Nov 15
Tony Wollesen	Nov 15
Chet Caldeira	Nov 17
Cheryl Guzzetta	Nov 19
Newell Booth	Nov 23



BAHCC General Meeting Minutes via Zoom

Wednesday, October 7, 2020, 7:30 pm

President Tony Wollesen opened the meeting with a big welcome to the 28 attending members on this, the 70th Anniversary of the Bay Area Horseless Carriage Club. Everyone was encouraged to join in by sharing their golden memories of the cars, travels and friendships which began back in the 1950s.

Business Agenda: 1. New Club jackets, purchase info, see November Gaslight Gazette.

2. November Potluck Dinner AND December Holiday Party - Cancelled.

3. Voting on 2021 Board of Directors slate at November meeting. Volunteers needed.

4. "Falloween Tour" planned by Norman and Adria Schwartz, Sunday, October 11, 2020, beginning in Danville at 10:30 am.

5. Kudos to Debbie Sessions on her "Men's Fashions/Driving Attire" Zoom presentation.

6. See email notice Early Ford V-8 Club Swap Meet, Alameda Naval Air Station, Saturday, October 17.

7. Next Board Meeting/Zoom, Wednesday, October 21, 2020, 7:30.

Member Reflections:

John and Carolee Morrison: Always, enjoyed getting out into the countryside, meeting and greeting folks along the way - sharing the hobby. Often riding in the trouble truck presented ways to learn about other members cars.

Ed and Karen Archer: Really got involved in 1961 driving the Locomobile on the special joint club Blossom Tour events in period correct attire and/or attending a Club meeting with 60+ other car enthusiasts.

Bill and Kaaren Brommer: Remembered the BAHCC's 50th Gala Celebration Party held at Blackhawk - where everyone arrived dressed in fancy black-tie formal wear, danced to live orchestra music, leisurely toured the custom car museum, ate a delicious dinner and partied on -- looking forward to the next 50 years!

Chet and Kay Caldeira: Told stories of members who drove to Mexico on back roads through hailstorms which ruined a newly restored car hood. Kay fondly described the spirited Santa visited Christmas dinner/parties enjoyed by all.

Dick Silvera: Joined up in 1952 in Oakland. Smaller cars were popular and over the years got bigger and faster. There were the first swap meets in

Antioch/Pleasanton and field meets held on a closed off street full of fun and hijinks. On the open road Union gas stations offered free gas and oil. Some men drove to San Diego or Reno enjoying Harrah's great "field hospitality" with free food and drink at the show of a badge. Member Mike Roberts caught all of the activities and photographed the Gazette covers in color. And in 1964, the tour of the year meant loading up and shipping the cars off to Hawaii on the Lurline for a week of fun.

Johnny and Christine Crowell: Enjoyed the yearly tradition of a mystery tour with drivers and navigators picking up maps with clues of roadway directions - a real puzzler route.

Jim Boyden: Recalled his connection in 1953, living in Coarsegold, California, when a caravan (what they then called a tour), visited for the day with signs vowing "Yosemite or Bust" - capturing his car imagination = cool old cars!

Tony Wollesen: Noted that he has a VHS copy of the 1954 Harrah's Reno tour and plans to share it with us in the future.

Eric and Muriel Lundquist: Always enjoyed the opportunity to tour all over the countryside and be involved with new restorations with a car purchase - like his 1911 Cadillac Model 30. Along the way there was also their excellent/award winning editorship of the Gaslight Gazette lasting over 15 years. A true labor of love -- we looked forward each month to this bonus.

Don and Joyce Azevedo: Don loved reading all about the cars and ownership challenges in each month's car magazine - it pulled him into the hobby. Especially exciting were friendly competition races between Ben Mozzetti, Bud Lundell and Bill Harrah - where almost always Ben's Stearns won.

Thank you awards go to: Mark Cerruti for producing the best Gaslight Gazette ever, sitting on the Nominating Committee and overseeing the production of the 70th Anniversary Booklet Edition; Gerald Robinson, for working to facilitate our monthly Zoom meetings and Nuts/Bolts events; Ed Harley, for filling in all of the necessary jobs on the Nominating Committee and "getting us" the good stuff for the Anniversary Booklet; Tony Wollesen, for being a President who encourages our interests in the car club hobby and keeping ALL of us moving forward.

Last item on the Agenda:

John Morrison's photo collection slide show reflecting 50+ years of the happiest days of the BAHCC clan. Ending with a smiling John in his first "kiddie car" at age 5 years. Such joy!

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes by: Kaaren Brommer / Acting Secretary

BAHCC Board Meeting Minutes (Zoom)

October 21, 2020, 7:30 pm

Attending members: Ed Harley, Tony Wollesen, Christine Crowell, Johnny Crowell, Vince O'Brien, Whitney Haist, Norman Schwartz, Mark Cerruti, Gerald Robinson and Kaaren Brommer.

President Tony Wollesen gaveled the meeting to attention at 7:32 pm with compliments to Mark Cerruti on the 50th anniversary booklet, as well as, the colorful, article packed, all inclusive 70th anniversary Gaslight Gazette.

No officer's reports were offered on authenticity web, hospitality, sunshine or nuts & bolts.

Whitney Haist commented on the low activity involving Club finances having paid for the "Men's Clothing" zoom program.

Old Business: The order form for Club jacket purchases will appear in the November Gazette; thank you Rob. Price: \$65.

Continuing Business: Thank you to the Nominating Committee Ed Harley and Mark Cerruti who are actively seeking members to participate in positions on the nine member, two year term Board with 2021 slate presentation and voting planned for the November General Meeting and installation at the December General Meeting.

A lengthy discussion addressed the question: "Should any adjustments be made to our 2021 membership fees?" Many opinions and suggestions were voiced. Norman Schwartz made a motion, "Stay the course and don't make any changes now." Seconded by Johnny Crowell. A vote was taken: 8 yes, 1 no. Results: The 2021 BAHCC membership fee will remain the same at - \$40 (includes electronic Gazette) and \$55 (includes hard-copy Gazette).

Many ideas were recorded re: program topics, other club practices, national club resources, general members suggestions, car interest questionnaires, oral histories, videos and virtual parties/or tours.

Some felt positive about Zoom meetings as they allow increased (far-away) attendance and easier access for Board members to attend from home vs travel time. Our future may become a combo of physical gatherings PLUS a Zoom visit component.

Future Business: Ed Harley suggested the Club create a committee next year to focus on Zoom program potentials and equipment needs to make optimal use of member access/involvement.

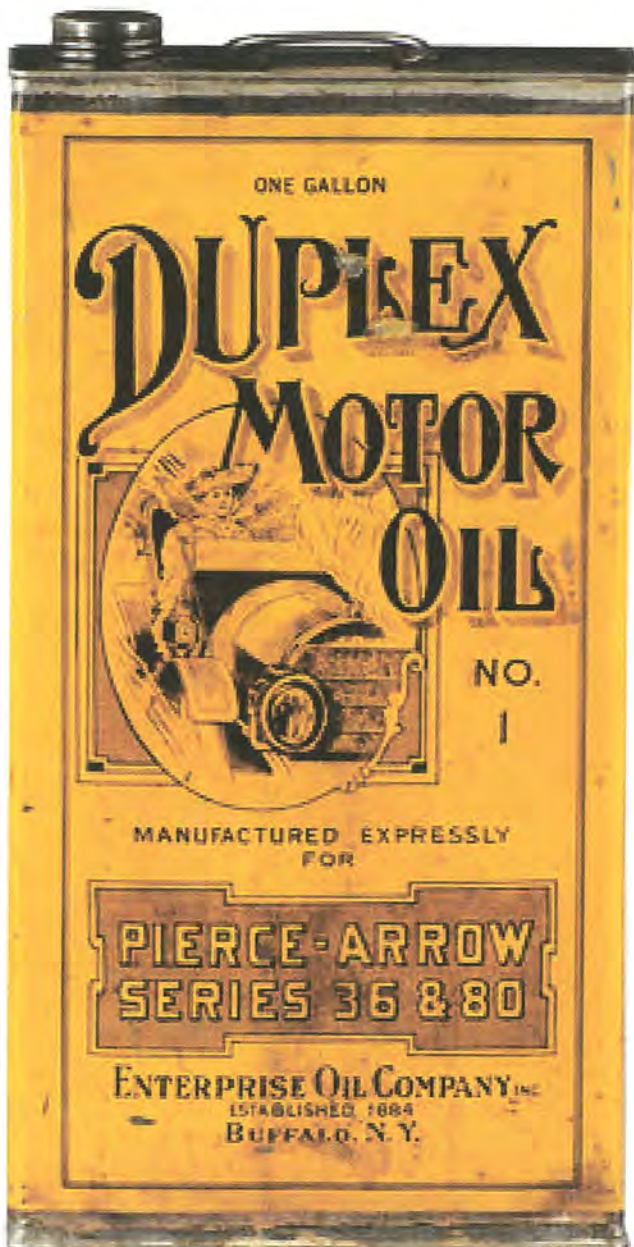
Rave reviews were offered to Norman and Adria Schwartz by those who enjoyed the recent "Falloween" tour to the pumpkin patch and lunch at the park.

Next General Meeting set for Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at 7:30 pm. Tony Wollesen plans to include a viewing of the 1954 Reno Tour movie.

Next Board meeting was rescheduled to Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at 7:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 pm.

Minutes submitted on Saturday, October 24, 2020 by Kaaren Brommer, acting Secretary.





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Curtis Marin - 925-945-6955
poverino65@yahoo.com

WANTED

Model T Wheels

History San Jose will be restoring a 1911 REO Power Wagon. The front wheels have been restored, prior to receiving it, to Model T wheels. We need to do the same to the back wheels. To do this we need the following; 2 - 30" x 3-1/2" metal demountable rims, 3 - 30" x 3-1/2" tires and 4 tubes. If you have any of these parts that you are willing to part with, please contact me.
Allan Greenberg - 408-997-0879
allangreenb01@gmail.com
or Ed Archer - 510-581-4911

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HCCA NATIONAL NEWS



Re: Hershey Car Show Cancelled; Hershey Hangover Tour Update; HCCA Fall Board Meeting...
Issue: 2020-10-01 #11

- **Hershey Car Show Cancelled - Again** – “OFFICIAL NOTICE REGARDING THE HERSHEY CAR SHOW AND NEW SPECIAL FALL MEET FROM THE AACA NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS”

“There is an old saying about the “best laid plans...” and we had a great plan for the Hershey car show this year. We worked with all parties and had an agreement on a COVID-19 solution for our show. We ordered trophies and the Hershey Region ordered judges hats and dash plaques. We were excited to work together with the Region to make this a great show. Unfortunately, in the last few days we were given a new set of regulations to follow which would have drastically affected the quality of the event in a negative way. As much as we wanted to have the show at the traditional location and be able to show-off the outside of the new AACA headquarters . . . We must cancel the traditional Eastern Division Fall Meet car show (Hershey) on October 9-10.” “We owe it to you to get this right and apologize to all who now must make changes to your schedule, cancel rooms, and most importantly miss being in Chocolate Town, USA. We are however committed to providing our members with a safe, enjoyable, and sensible event this fall. We have proven that in a short time and with your cooperation we can pull off a show in another location. Our 2020 Grand Nationals in Gettysburg was a huge hit and done safely with the complete cooperation of our members.” “We are proud to announce we will host a Special Fall Nationals on November 6-7 at the Wyndham Hotel complex in Gettysburg, PA.” See AACA website for details.

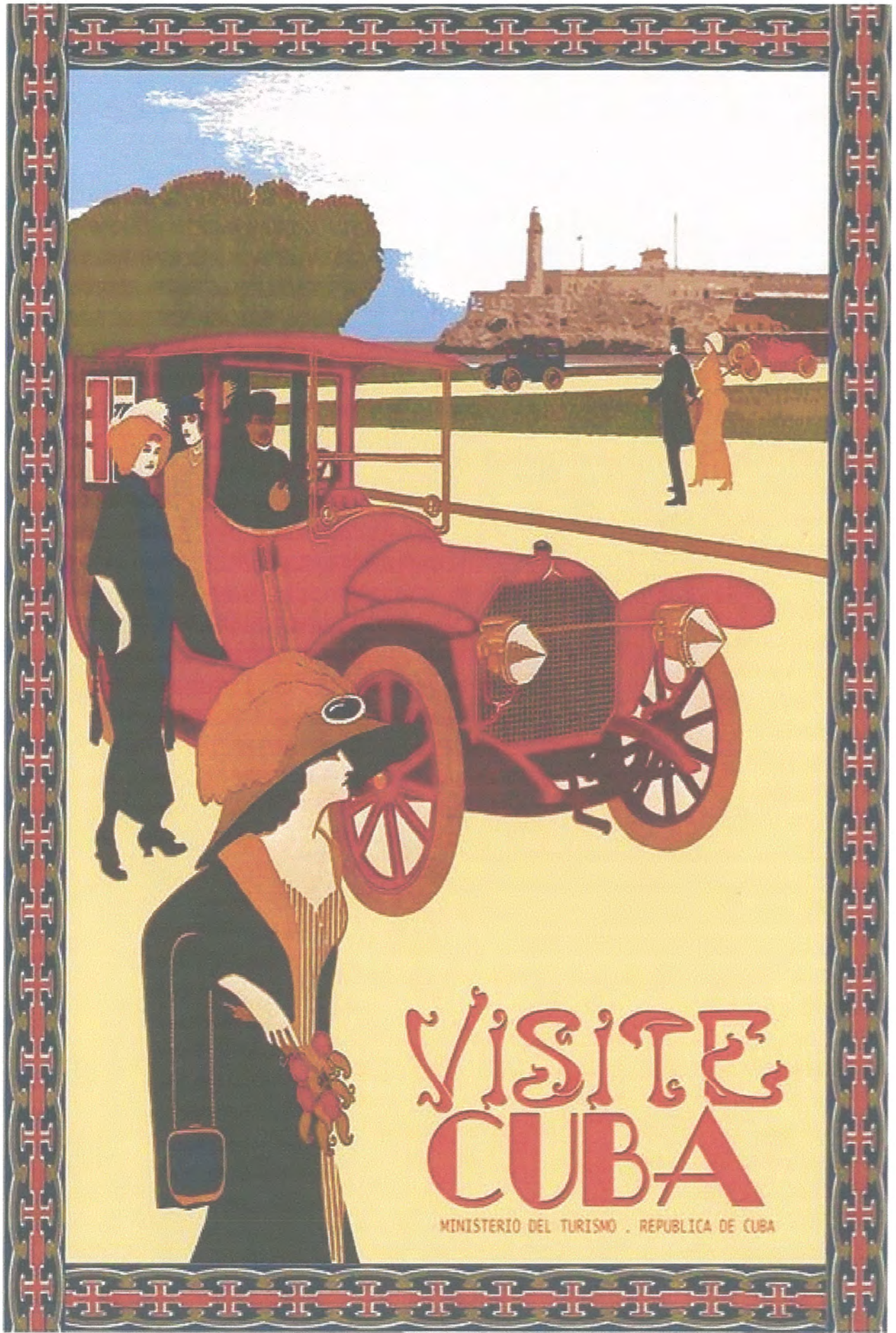
- **Hershey Hangover Saturday Plans** – Jeff Leshner and the Hangover Tour Committee reported: “We wanted to reach out to everyone and let you know that with the cancellation of the AACA Eastern Fall Nationals on Saturday, October 10, we will still include a route in the tour book for anyone that may want to enjoy a 90 mile day touring from Denver to Hershey and

take advantage of some of the fall foliage and highlights along the way as well as some of Hershey's other attractions that many of us don't have time to experience during a typical Fall Meet week.” This will allow members to get some good action photos of members on tour, with beautiful scenery as background. Please send these pictures to the Website Committee.

- **HCCA Board Meeting Update** – HCCA President Don Plumb's scheduled live Board Meeting, will be held at the start of the Hershey Hangover IX Tour, in Denver, PA. The Board meeting will be held on Saturday afternoon, October 10th, at 4:00 PM. The Comfort Inn Lancaster County North Hotel, headquarters for this year's Hershey Hangover IX Tour, has made a special meeting room available to us for the Board Meeting. Arrangements are being made for Zoom access to the meeting, for those in distant places, or those who want to connect remotely. The address of the hotel is 1 Denver Road, Denver, PA 17517. The hotel is about a one hour drive south of Hershey, so those wishing to visit Chocolate World, can have plenty of time to select their favorite candy, and still make the meeting. Members wishing to access the meeting via Zoom are requested to contact Don Plumb directly: plumbline@comcast.net
- **Luray Swap Meet** – The one-time-only FALL Swap Meet in the open-air, socially-distant fields of beautiful Luray, Virginia, is still being held (as of this writing). Location: Comer-Jones VFW Post 621, 218 Veterans Lane, Luray, VA. Dates: Tuesday, October 6th thru Thursday, October 8th. For those in driving distance, a good substitute for a non Hershey year. For more information, visit www.mapwsm.com

Doug Tomb / Douglas.tomb@verizon.net

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