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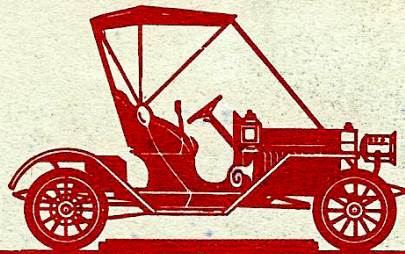
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Congratulations and a hearty welcome aboard to all of you! I was hoping that this newsletter would be a little more lengthy, but due to the necessity of getting our tour notice out, we did not have the time to devote to miscellaneous. Don't forget our next meeting is April 5, Friday night, at the Silver Gate Savings and Loan Building, 30th and El Cajon Boulevard, 8:00 PM sharp!

You are all asked to call Grace Wright, 5-6130 on whether or not you intend to make the first tour for the Club. Let's all get together for the first time out and really make a good showing.

Incidentally, those of you who have not paid your dues, kindly come prepared to do so at our next general meeting.

The correct guess with the earliest postmark on the year and make on the car above, the Club will give a prize of a free National Dues for 1964. (one only) so get out your thinking caps and send those entries in to the Foot Warmer, c/o of the Editor.

SEE YOU AT THE MEETING!

Jim Drimmel

April Spring Picnic - Saturday – April 27th

With all of the rain we've had this year, Spring should be bursting with abundant color. Our venue is Summers Past Farms in Flinn Springs. Aside from their beautiful gardens they have several small shops specializing in unique home and garden items, a nursery and a specialty soap store.

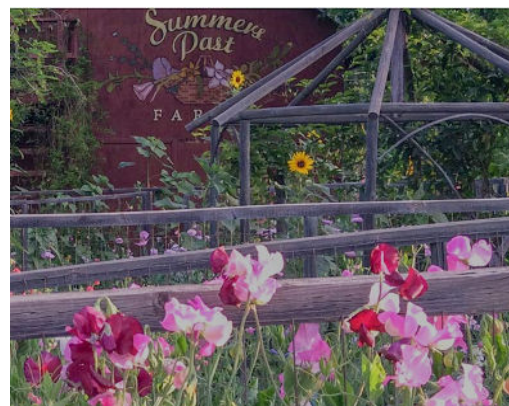
Our cars will be parked on an open grass field. You must bring your own lunch and chairs. If you prefer you can purchase hot and cold drinks at *The Coffee Bar*, on site.

We will meet at the Sears parking lot in El Cajon at 8:45 to 9:00 and depart at 9:15 for a beautiful, scenic drive on old Highway 8. This is a great road for our old cars leading to a beautiful spot and camaraderie with fellow club members.



Learn more about Summers Past Farms at: www.summerspastfarms.com

Please let Larry or Paula Okey know you'll be attending. 619.582.9676



Silent Movie March 2019

More than two dozen members and friends drove seven vintage cars to enjoy a double feature of Charlie Chaplin and Buster Keaton accompanied on the "Mighty Morton" theater pipe organ by visiting organist Bill Campbell. Bill also shared his artistry with a pre-movie concert of Big Band music of the 20's thru 40's. After the second movie, Bill surprised us with a thrilling organ postlude. It was a FABulous evening topped off with the following members attending:

Al Smithson, driving his 1948 Rolls-Royce SilverWraith, **Tom McIlravy and Christopher Di Patre** driving Al's 1956 Lincoln Continental MKII, **Norma Almanza, Doc McAllister, Nannette Clark and Ken Munson, Doug and Marilyn Clements** driving their 1956 Chevrolet Bel Air, **Art and Phyllis Cottee** driving their 1965 Ford Mustang, **Larry and Paula Okey** driving their 1955 Buick Century, **Bob Gunthorp and Jeanette Hay** driving his 1961 Mercedes-Benz 220SE, **Judy Mesek, Jack and Lynne Heacock** driving their 1950 Cadillac, and **Tim Alexander. Mike and Cindy Williams** arrived later to close up. There were also four friends of AACA members in attendance.



The line up of a great variety of cars is always a pleasure for the attendees

Al Smithson writes: Received this thoughtful note from Rosemary Bailey, the new President of the TOSSD: "Just a short note, Al, to thank you for promoting and encouraging your members to be at our show last night. I'm very happy to know you and your group.



It wouldn't be a region event if **Al Smithson** wasn't there to serve Krispy Kreme from the trunk of whichever car he is driving.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

First of all I have to say "It's good to be home".

The next few weeks I am looking forward to attending several events starting with the Bakersfield Swap Meet on April 12th and 13th. This is one of the prime Pre-War swap meets and is well worth the drive up to Bakersfield. Next is the Spring Picnic hosted by **Larry & Paula Okey** on April 27th, followed the next day by the Motor Cars on Main Street in Coronado, and then **Sam Judd's** trip to the Top of the Hill Mining Town on May 4th. These should be fun events and a great way to recover from the stress and worry of preparing and submitting tax returns.

The program at the last meeting was videos and an update on the status of "Autonomous Cars" presented by Beth. The developments are increasing at an alarming rate and in my opinion there has been no thought on how they will interact with the current road users. I know they are coming but at the back of my mind I worry what this will do to "regular" car ownership, and the Vintage Car Hobby. We need to ensure that our cars don't get forced off the road by legislation in favor of Autonomous vehicles. (Sheldon can you work on this for us?)

Enough worrying about the future, let's get out and enjoy our cars, which is my way of telling myself to get back to work on my restorations.

Happy touring, and get well soon wishes to several of our members who are recovering from various medical problems.

Alex

Monthly Membership Meetings
1st Monday of each month
6:30 PM - Social 7:00 PM - Meeting
Joyce Beers Community Center In
Hillcrest on Vermont Street Ample free
parking at Ralphs or Trader Joe's.

Since its inception there has been something about the sight, sound, and feel of the automobile that stirs the imagination and the desire to experience the freedom of the open road. Whether it's the clatter of the single cylinder brass era car or the heavy thumping of big block Detroit musclecars that fuels the addiction, we are all kindred spirits. Vintage cars, trucks, buses, and motorcycles are our bond.

Since 1935, AACA has had one goal: The preservation and enjoyment of automotive history of all types. From National Meets and Tours to Regional events, AACA is here to bring enthusiasts together through exciting National activities, friendship, and Antique Automobile... an award winning 100-page full color magazine.

You don't have to own a vehicle or know how to turn a wrench. You can be involved at any level you wish, the possibilities are endless.

So, spend time with us and others sharing your passion. Join up. It's less than the price of a tank of gas and lasts all year.

2019 Region Calendar

Dates subject to changes

APR	27	Spring Picnic Larry & Paula Okey 619.582.9676
MAY	4	Top of the Hill - mining town Sam Judd 619.232.2210
MAY	6	General Membership Meeting
MAY	15	Ladies Tea Susan Woods 858.213.9689 & Betty Holmes
JUN	3	General Membership Meeting
JUN	19	Day at Del Mar Fair - Wednesday Larry & Paula Okey 619.582.9676
JUN	29	Bar-B-Que Bob Gunthorp 619.993.0184
JUL		NO General Membership Meeting
JUL	4	4th of July Coronado Parade Al Smithson
AUG	5	General Membership Meeting
AUG	14	Chicken Fest Mike Cooke 619.447.9876
SEP	2	General Membership Meeting
SEP	28	Desert Tower Tour Mark Richards 541.517.1393
OCT	7	General Membership Meeting
OCT	TBD	Silent Movie - Al Smithson 619.992.8729
OCT	TBD	Watt's Halloween Party Alex & Sandy Watt 619.223.6519
OCT	TBD	Edgemore Hospital Car Show Doug Clements 858.487.8617
NOV	4	General Membership Meeting
NOV	10	Annual Banquet Bob Gunthorp 619.993.0184
NOV	TBD	Silent Movie - Al Smithson 619.992.8729
NOV	TBD	Region Tour Event
DEC	2	General Membership Meeting
DEC	1	Bells of Freedom Bob Gunthorp 619.993.0184

Motor Cars of Main Street - Coronado, CA

Sunday April 28, 2019 - Rain or Shine

Limited to 400, Pre-73 Rods, Customs, Antiques, Classics, and Trucks

Where: Isabella & Orange Ave. Hours: Staging 7AM-9:30AM - Show 10AM-3PM
Entry \$40 per vehicle before April 21 (includes one T-shirt, two drawing tickets, & dash plaque). After April 21 or at the event - IF available, \$45 and does not include a shirt. Entrants who wish to park together must enter together.
Register ON LINE at: CoronadoMainStreet.com

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AACA-SAN DIEGO MAY 4TH "TOP OF THE HILL" TOUR

PUT ON A HAPPY FACE FOR A NICE BACK COUNTRY TOUR TO A PRIVATE ESTATE (TOP OF THE HILL) TO SEE A RECREATION OF AN OLD MINING TOWN & MUSEUM



WHEN TO MEET: MAY 4, 2019 (SATURDAY); 10:00 AM,
LEAVE AROUND 10:30 AM

WHERE: KIT CARSON PARK, ESCONDIDO

(Park Rd., south entrance, by restrooms)

1:00 PM LUNCH AT THE KOUNTRY KITCHEN IN RAMONA

RSVP. by May 2 (Thurs.) for food count:

Claire Cooke mommeo4@cox.net or 619-447-9876

AACA Ladies' Luncheon May 15, 2019 11:30 AM



Peohe's Waterfront Restaurant

1201 1st Street, Coronado, CA (619) 437-4474

Please send a check for \$20.00 to:

Lynn Heacock 266 Caliban Ct. Encinitas, CA 92024 (760) 390-4220

Please call Susan Woods at (858)213-9689 or

Betty Holmes at (619) 992-3930 if you have any questions.

SAVE THIS DATE Saturday June 29, 2019

This is the date for the annual "All American Picnic" at my house. This year it will be the same as past years. This is a dual club event with the AACA and the HCCA. Lunch will again be provided by The Wrangler Barbecue of El Cajon. The arrival time will be starting at 11:00 with lunch served at 12:30 - \$15 per person. There will be more information in the next newsletter.

Don't Forget Our Web Site

Our web site is now running smoothly and we are happy to announce that the new webmaster is **Mark Richards**. Our selection of items will grow with time so please be patient but check back regularly. You can access region information, photos from events, and copies of The Foot Warmer without a password

Right now we have the Region Roster posted. To gain access you'll need a password. You also need a password to access the Birthdays and Anniversaries page. To obtain a password contact **Mark Richards** by email: mark_diane@yahoo.com or Brad Zemcik by email: zman92107@yahoo.com. To maintain security integrity we will call you with the password.

If you see errors or omissions please let Mark or Brad know. This is a place we can have lots of immediate information, stories, photos, etc. Don't be shy about submitting content to help make the site a better experience for all.

Thanks for your participation.

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2019 CHICKEN FEST, Wednesday, AUGUST 14th

Please plan to join the AACA members for the El Cajon CHICKEN FEST on August 14th.

Purpose: Have Fun, look at the cars, trade stories and renew friendships, and enjoy the potluck.

Place: Corner of Main Street and Orange Ave, on the south east corner.

Time: 4PM or after.

Set Up Details: We are scheduled for the area same as last year, starting at 3PM for set up. If you come before 4PM, you will be conscripted into helping with the set up.

Potluck Details: The Club will provide The chicken this time rather than the participants bringing the chicken. The club will also provide bottled water, soft drinks, plastic silver ware, paper plates, ice, serving tables and a welcoming smile.

What to bring for the Potluck: Bring some type or a side dish, dessert or an old family favorite of sufficient amount to feed your family and some extra to share with other club members. Also bring your serving spoons etc. and especially folding chairs to sit on. Bring your appetite, folding chairs, food to share, old cars to show off, but most important to just show up and have a good time.

Who will orchestrate what food to bring? **Claire Cooke** will keep track of what everyone plans to bring, so we will end up with a variety of different things to eat. Please e-mail Claire: mommeo4@cox.net or call Claire at 619-447-9876 to let us know you are coming, how many and what you plan to bring to share.

What do you need to do now: **MARK YOUR CALENDAR, SAVE THE DATE!!!!!!!**

If there are any questions, please call Claire or Mike Cooke at 619-447-9876

Thanks to **Art and Phyllis Cottee** for help in the setup and planning

AUCTIONPALOOZA

It's not too early to begin gathering items for our annual "auction" of items to benefit our region. There will be the normal tables of items where you purchase tickets and then place them in the cup adjacent to the item awaiting the ticket drawing after the auction closes. There will also be select items for the silent auction part.

If you have been part of one of these auctions before you know just how fun it is. This event will be the whole of our October 7th meeting. We all know that one man's "trash" is another man's treasure.

Help Needed

If you have a camera and have the morning of July 4th open we could sure use your help. I'll be out of town and unable to go photograph our region cars in the Coronado 4th of July Parade. It's a fun morning. You can either leave after the cars go by or stay for the whole parade, your choice. If you don't want to hassle the parking you can take the ferry over from the foot of Broadway. It's about a \$10 round trip and it drops you off right near the parade route; easy walking distance. Parking near the Broadway pier is easy and free that day. If this interests you please contact me and I'll fill you in further. Your help would be truly appreciated.--- Brad

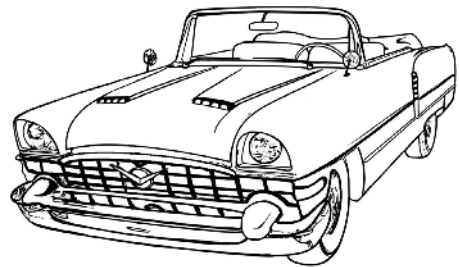
Member Updates

Jim Grube tells us that **Larry Larkin** fell and broke his hip. He had an operation and is doing ok, he needs a wheel chair for the next several weeks. Larry is in a board and care home in Huntington beach and having problems with dementia but still knows people. He will need 24hrs help if he goes home. I know he would love to here from the club. Address is: **Larry Larkin 9511Landfall Drive Huntington Beach, CA 92646**

Betty Holmes spent a few days in the hospital with pneumonia. Daryl reports that she is home and doing much better. **Get well Betty**, the Ladies Tea is coming soon.



Recognize these people? Within this photo are years of AACA membership. Can you identify and name the two current members shown here? The answer is on the back page.



She Did It Again!

Past Editor **Betty Hayward** won another **MASTER EDITOR AWARD** from the AACA National Publication Committee. Betty thanks all contributors over the years but her time and effort to put it all together is meritorious in and of itself.

CONGRATULATIONS BETTY

Art Cottee sent this photo of **Jack Chidgey** celebrating his 90th Birthday.

Jack and Doris have seven children, four boys and three girls. Their family has now increased to sixty-four adults and children.



The party was a great success. There was a house full of little Chidgeys, and many adults. Jack and Doris were thrilled to have their family together to celebrate his 90th. Jack invited everyone back for his 91st.

The Front Cover is courtesy of **Sam Judd** who has provided us with some of the first few Foot Warmer's. Wow, 56 years of *The Foot Warmer* and still going!

MAY BIRTHDAYS	
Diane Richards	1
Bob Buchanan	2
Nannette Clark	16
Robert Kambeitz	19
Theodore Thieman	29
ANNIVERSARIES	
Verna and James Zopfi	20



In March **Shelia Jurist and Marilyn Clements** provided a fabulous St. Patrick's Day themed array of goodies for our general meeting break.



In April **Art and Phyllis Cottee** met the challenge providing an equally fabulous Easter themed array of goodies. You've got to love the "goodies war." What a benefit for us attendees. **Daryl and Betty Holmes** contributed to the Easter goodies. Betty was not feeling up to par. so they didn't attend the meeting.



For the second month in a row **Norma** is presenting **Doug Clements** the monthly drawing \$20!

Free Del Mar Fair tickets!

A limited number of **FREE Del Mar Fair tickets** are available for June 18th. This is for everyone in your car and you get free parking inside the Fair grounds. To get your free tickets you'll need to display your car with other AACA members for the day. While your car is on secure display you are free to roam the Fair and all it has to offer. Having done this, it is a fun day. Larry Okey is heading up this event.

Contact Larry for more details: 619.582.9676 (home) or 619.993.1801 (mobile).

Annual Restoration Awards

Every year at the Annual Banquet three restoration awards are presented. Your restoration does not have to be completed but the Awards Chairman does need to know about the work you've been doing.

- ① The Founders Award is presented to the member who has completed the best non-professional restoration of a vehicle ready for the road during the year.
- ② The Ralph Harms Memorial Trophy is presented to the member who has made the most progress toward a non-professional restoration of a vehicle during the year.
- ③ Runner-Up Awards may be presented in both categories as well as Certificates of Merit.

Contact Alex Watt, Awards Chairman, 619.223.6519 www.trailers@att.net



Region member **Gary Jarvis** is all smiles as he prepares his 1967 Mercedes-Benz 250SL roadster at the La Jolla Concours. He wound up taking a 2nd in class in a very close judging. **Congratulation Gary!**



Photo identifications: L-r Current AACA-SD member Mike Judd, Founding AACA-SD member Marie Judd, Les Judd, current AACA-SD member Sam Judd, Founding AACA-SD member Lyle Judd in their 1913 Model T Ford touring.