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VIRGIL "WOODY" WOODS 1924-2019



Susan and Woody in their 1912 Ford Model T speedster in the 2009 Coronado 4th of July Parade

Al Smithson reminisced about that day: "Woody, dressed in his starched white Navy Chiefs uniform, with his beautiful wife Susan at his side, led the San Diego Region in the Fourth of July parade. When Woody and Susan reached the reviewing stand, three Admirals rose to attention and saluted Woody at which time he exited the all white Model T Speedster and stood at attention and proudly returned their salutes. Three Navy Admirals honored this proud American by showing him the ultimate respect he so richly deserved."

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An OZ-some Fair Day

Thanks to those who brought out their cars for display at the County Fair this year.



1955 Mercury Custom 2-dr
Lynne & Jack Heacock



1955 Buick Century
Paula & Larry Okey



1953 Ford Victoria
Francy & Paul Priser



1961 Mercedes-Benz 190 SL
Brian Kruse



1987 Mercedes Benz 560 SL
Carol & Steve Ross

Photos by Larry Okey

BOB'S ANNUAL BAR-B-QUE BLOWOUT

Once again **Bob Gunthorp's** Bar-B-Que didn't disappoint. 63 people including 7 guests and 49 from AACA attended and enjoyed the camaraderie and food. Several old cars showed up and you'll be seeing them featured on the front cover in the months to come. Several long time members: **Holmes** and **Forts** had to miss the event but we were happy to see **Sheldon and Sheila Jurist** after being involved in an accident that totaled their Mustang. Thanks again to Bob and everyone that helped him set up and take down.

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Bob and Janette



Charles and Peggy Spitz. Peggy comes through again with 3 types of cupcakes and rice krispie car cakes. When you miss her desserts, you miss out!



Ok, one teaser car photo. This car is so pretty and the new acquisition of the Richard's. You'll see more of it!

photos by Michele & Brad Zemicik

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

First I would like to pass on the Club's condolences to Susan Woods and her family on the passing of her husband and partner, Virgil "Woody" Woods. Woody was a long time member of the club and will be missed.

Last month's presentation was a video on Supercars and Hypercars. These cars are truly incredible, and the coverage of them running at the Nurburgring showed what they are capable of. The Porsche 918 making it around the 12.9 mile "North Loop" track in 6 minutes 57 seconds was extremely fast but the video didn't give the times of the other cars and I know this left everyone wondering as to which was the fastest. All these cars are works of art, and their true beauty is seeing and hearing them at full song. Here is the spoiler - The Lamborghini Huracan did it in 6 minutes 52.1 seconds, but the McLaren had the best time setting a street legal lap record of 6 minutes 43.2 seconds. After the run was completed the car was driven back to the UK under it's own power. Just shows that British cars rule...

I need to rectify some major misinformation that has been going around concerning title transfers. I had been told that AAA had been stopped from doing title transfers by the DMV, so I was dreading having to show up at the DMV with a truck and trailer to get our '33 Riley registered. For the past 25 years I had a close friend who had a warrant to verify numbers so he verified all our cars and I would just take to paperwork to AAA to get the title transferred, but unfortunately he isn't doing it anymore. I decided to go to the CHP and have the numbers verified which would mean I didn't have to take the car to the DMV. When I checked, the CHP informed me that they now only verify vehicles sent to them by the DMV. We decided that we would go to the AAA with the car and see if they could help. We showed up with the truck and trailer about an hour before they opened to get a parking spot where we would not be trapped by other cars. Great news, AAA is still doing title transfers, and 30 minutes after starting the paperwork we were on our way home and the Riley is legally ours.

--- Happy Touring, Alex

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

AUG	5	General Membership Meeting
AUG	14	Chicken Fest Mike Cooke 619.447.9876
SEP	2	General Membership Meeting
SEP	28	Old Hwy 80 and Desert Tower Tour Mark Richards 541.517.1393
OCT	7	General Membership Meeting
OCT	19	Watt's Halloween Party Alex & Sandy Watt 619.223.6519
OCT	25	Edgemore Hospital Car Show Doug Clements 858.487.8617
OCT	26	Silent Movie - Al Smithson 619.992.8729
NOV	4	General Membership Meeting
NOV	10	Annual Banquet Bob Gunthorp 619.993.0184
NOV	23	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

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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

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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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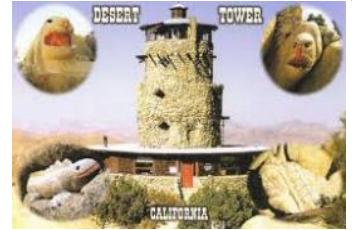
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SEPTEMBER 28, 2019
 OLDE HWY 80
 TOUR TO DESERT VIEW TOWER



Route 66 gets all the attention, but right here in our backyard is a highway that has a real old time feel, is significant to the history of the area and is perfect for a leisurely Saturday drive. There are spectacular vistas, major changes in terrain ranging from pine forests to high desert, and the Desert View Tower, which is unlike anything you'll see on Route 66.

Hwy 80, stretching from Savannah GA to San Diego, was one of the first transcontinental highways that was recognized as a numbered route by the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads in 1927. Colonel Ed Fletcher (Fletcher Hills) was a major proponent in developing this eastern route to the city and helped fund the plank road through the Imperial County sand dunes. Much of the original paved road in eastern San Diego County remains intact with only small portions under the newer I-8 freeway.

We will start our tour in the town of Alpine, right next to Hwy 80, so that we can avoid the problem of keeping a group together through traffic. From there we will go through Willows, past the Viejas casino, Descanso, Guatay and then a stop in Pine Valley. In the town of Boulevard there will be a stop at the Wisteria Candy Cottage, famous for chocolate turtles, truffles, fudge and lots of other goodies. From there we'll go through Bankhead Springs over the original 16 foot wide roadway from 1933 and on through Jacumba, where Hollywood stars such as Marlene Dietrich and Clark Gable once came to enjoy the hot springs and relax. The Desert View Tower is just a few more miles up the road. True to its' name, the Tower has vistas clear to the Salton Sea, a quirky souvenir shop and some fun rock sculptures.

After the Desert View Tower we will have lunch at Jacumba Hot Springs Spa and Resort. Then you may like to have a massage, a dip in one of the pools or return to San Diego, either by freeway for some different views or by the old route.

From Alpine to Desert View Tower is about 45 miles, with some gentle curves and no major grades. The intent is to travel at speeds appropriate for our older cars. There is not much traffic on this route anymore so we should be able to stay together, that's what a tour is for.

For questions contact Mark Richards: 541-517-1393 or richardsconsulting@yahoo.com

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.

CALLING ALL WIZARDS, WITCHES, GHOSTS & GHOULS TO SAVE THE DATE OF OCTOBER 19TH

THERE WILL BE A CELEBRATION OF THE UPCOMING HALLOWEEN AND THE EUROPEAN TRADITION OF OKTOBERFEST AT THE WATT'S RESIDENCE. THIS YEAR WE WILL BE DOING A BARBEQUE WITH BRATS, DOGS, AND BURGERS. PLEASE PLAN ON BRINGING A SIDE DISH OR A DESSERT TO SUPPLEMENT. MORE INFORMATION WILL BE IN THE NEXT FOOT WARMER .

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The **Edgemoor Car Show** will be **Friday, October 25th - coordinated by Doug Clements**

The schedule is: 9:00: Car owners sign in, coffee & donuts

10:00-Noon: Residents, staff and patients walk around and look at the cars, talk to owners

Noon: Lunch for car owners & a guest (if they have one)

Most of the car owners arrive earlier than 9:00, but that's up to the individual. We have space for over 60 cars.

Entry is free, but we do ask for an RSVP so we know how many to expect.

Anne Monaco, CTRS Recreation Therapy Supervisor

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Please let Doug know also if you will be attending - 858.487.8617

Annual Banquet - November 10th

By Bob Gunthorp

Last year's Banquet was a huge success for several reasons. One of them was moving the Banquet to the HANDLERY HOTEL at 950 Hotel Circle North San Diego, CA 92108.

The second change is the new time. Many of our members are no longer comfortable driving at night so again this year we are going to have an afternoon Banquet. The new time is the "Social Hour" starting at noon and lunch will be served at 1:00 pm. The afternoon Banquet did encourage more people to attend. Furthermore, we are able to drive our antique vehicles. We even had a mini car show in the parking lot with employees of the hotel selecting their favorite vehicle.

The only complaint we had was that the bar was too far from the Banquet. I have solved that problem this year. We will have our own a bar in our room.

We will have the menu choices of Santa Maria Tri-tip (a Marinated Grilled Tri-tip) or Miso Glazed Salmon.

The Banquet is the Clubs only formal event so just like our evening Banquet we are encouraging everyone to wear their vintage outfits or semi-formal outfits...the pictures will be classier!

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

Remembrances of Virgil "Woody" Woods

Barbara Foley: My remembrance of Virgil Woods is he always looked so frail. Then I sat down and talked to him. WOW!!! Virgil was part of what Tom Brokaw referred to as the "The Greatest Generation." Every year Virgil attended the VR24 reunion. Susan accompanied him. Susan and Virgil restarted this reunion about 5 to 6 years ago after a period of absence. Virgil was in this squadron twice. A few years ago he was flown to Washington, DC on the Honor Flight to see the World War II Memorial. I am so glad you went on that Virgil. He retired from the navy after serving 20years.

Daryl Holmes: I have fond memories of knowing Virgil for many years in the car club. We enjoyed lunches together and visiting while Susan and Betty were planning the ladies luncheon. His favorite was fish and chips at The Brig. He told me about his childhood and years of service to our country and his time as a teacher. Virgil was a true American hero It was a pleasure and honor to know him. He was a special friend. I am amazed at his knowledge and how he built this large home, himself, from scratch. We will miss him greatly. Betty loved his laugh.

Bette Hayward: Virgil was one of that breed of men who so loved and respected their country that they went to battle in WWII and stayed on to serve in the military for many years.

Virgil also had love and respect for the early American automobile. He grew up at a time when the automobile wasn't just a method to get from place to place but was a work of art, a thing of beauty to be proud of owning. This was the era of the Model Ts, when Henry Ford had made it possible for every family to have a car.

Through the years, Virgil started collecting those treasures that he remembered from his childhood. That collection included many cars from the 1920s. The Foot Warmer had trouble keeping up with all of them to include in the Car Roster but we counted fourteen antiques from a 1912 Model T up to a 1981 Delorean F.E.R. which at the time was called the "Car of the Future".

I am sure Virgil knew there would never be enough time in life to restore all the beauties he collected but they were just a thing of joy to own, to preserve, to share with other antique aficionados. And our AACA members surely did enjoy them on our visits to the Woods' home where we all got to see them and talk to him about his "museum".

We will surely miss him but are so glad we were able to enjoy our time with him, talking about this car era that he knew personally.

The Judds offered this article that was written about Woody: WWII Vets Honored in the 2017 Coronado 4th of July Parade
Virgil Woods was a Chief Petty Officer in the US Navy in 1945. Born and raised on a farm in Des Moines, Iowa, he was, as a young man, a very hard worker on his family farm. Perhaps it was that work ethic instilled in him that allowed him to be successful in the United States Navy. He told me a story about how when he was young he was a thin boy (mostly because of the long hours he would put in on the farm on a daily basis), but he liked to memorize things in his off time. Before he went to boot camp he was 5'1" and 100 lbs., but the boot camp food was good and he was able to gain weight. While he was in the Navy, he served as a Chief Petty Officer (CPO), and an air crewman on the SBD Dive Bomber (he would fly at times, and he would also be the aircraft engineer). Stationed overseas and performing duties in the Pacific Theater, he was part of the Battle at Guadalcanal. Their mission was to protect the supply and communications with allied forces from Japanese threats. At the time the Dive Bomber was the only aircraft that could deliver a bomb, and he felt at that time they were as prepared to go to war as they were to go to the moon. He said that he worked heavily with the Marines. "They [the Marines] would make it clear that they were Marines and not in the Navy." The way he said it made me chuckle. They knew they were all on the same team and mission, but wanted to be sure that Navy personnel knew they were not Navy. He showed me his Purple Heart, aircrew wings, two Good Conduct Medals donned with his Chief pins. What was most wonderful about Virgil, is that as a young man he memorized The Declaration of Independence, The Gettysburg Address, and other historical documents. At the age of 93, he sat next to me and recited them. Virgil is a kind man with a wonderful sense of humor, even regarding our current politics. He left me with this quote by Benjamin Franklin, "We must all hang together, or assuredly we will all hang separately." As he sat in his car waiting to leave for the parade, he changed out of his ball cap and into his Chief Petty Officer khaki cover, straightened it and smiled.

Link to story: <https://coronadotimes.com/news/2017/07/05/wwii-vets-honored-coronado-4th-july-parade/>

Dorothy Moves to Cali

by Rick Reinstein, Formerly of Colchester, VT

For those who don't remember, Dorothy is my 1951 Chevrolet Styleline Sport Coupe; so named because I rescued her from a muddy Kansas farm field, where she sat neglected, open to the elements, and hunters with itchy trigger fingers. She sported a bullet hole in her front windshield as testimony to that.

In 2015, my wife and I talked about a change in venue because we were both weary of the classic Vermont winters and all the extra-curricular activities associated with it (snow blowing, roof raking, chattering teeth, etc...) We had made two trips to San Diego previously so that I could introduce Glory to my idea of paradise. I had lived here 42 years ago when I was stationed at NAS Miramar (Top Gun) with the Navy and had fallen in love with San Diego. When Glory retired, we decided to make the jump on our last trip there in 2015. Our sons from previous marriages also live in CA, so that proved an added incentive.

We put our Colchester house on the market in April of 2016, and it sold in three days! Still in shock, we scrambled to make our move happen in a month. Quite a change in plans considering we figured the whole process would take six months! As Glory still had music commitments and could not spend much time at home, I found myself packing and misting out 10 years of junk we collected together. I quit my job at SSTA much earlier than planned. All in all, the move went off without a hitch, and we found ourselves on the road to Cali on May 24th.

The trip took nine days and except for some tongue-in-cheek chuckles, was largely uneventful. However, we faced some unanticipated equipment challenges.

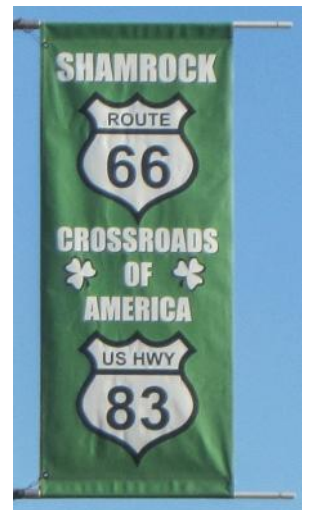
The first was my pick-up's ability to tow a trailer with my 51 on board. I pretty much maxed out my towing limit, and first discovered that trying to get up the steep hills on NY 74



between Crown Pt. and Severance. We crept up with flashers flashing and made it.

The next challenge was overheating. I kept a close watch on my transmission temp gage after the Pike's Peak-like climb in the Adirondacks, and days later, we were forced to pull off in Oklahoma City and let the rig cool down at a mall off I-40. While we humans were cooling off also in the parking lot, we were greeted with many nice folks who stopped to offer assistance. Many were fellow vets, so I figured my VT Veterans plate was helping us out! Two hours later both the rig and we were sufficiently fed and cooled, and resumed our trip.

Driving Old US RT 66 had always been a "bucket list" dream of mine, so we had originally planned to drive as much of it as possible. Unfortunately, driving a 30 foot pickup/trailer rig isn't the best way to negotiate hairpin curves on the road. We resigned to stick to the interstates and drove the Mother Road where we could when getting off and on the highways for lodging and eating. One of our favorite spots was Shamrock, TX where we spent the night.



We visited the U-Drop Inn there; an old '40s Connoco service station now restored to its former art-deco beauty and serving as a chamber of commerce/museum, complete with old gas pumps and a recreated diner from the era at the intersection of US 83 and US 66. There was even an old '37 Chevy wrecker parked outside, which I dubbed "Mater." Accordingly, it also served as a backdrop to Ramone's Paint shop in the



"Cars" movie. Along the way we spotted "Car-Henge" from I-40 in Amarillo, and on the Old Road paralleling the highway and disappearing from spots; only to mysteriously re-appear.



We spent the next night in Santa Fe, NM with Glory's daughter—once again braving steep hills between Cline Corners and Santa Fe on US 258. It was nice to get off the road and eat a home cooked meal.

The next night found us in the hills of Flagstaff, AZ. We both marveled how Flagstaff gave off a Stowe, VT kind of vibe. All the greenery and pine trees provided a welcome

cool relief from the hotter temps down below on the desert floor.

Our final challenge presented itself as we crossed the state line into CA. We met a friendly but very inquisitive state agriculture inspector, who was very concerned we might have some gypsy moth hitchhikers from VT along for the ride in our '51. After reassuring him Dorothy had spent all her time in a garage on a cement floor, he was satisfied, and then was quite interested in Dorothy's restoration. We were waved through and immediately headed to Needles for a quick lunch and cool down. The outside temp was 105° already!

Sufficiently refreshed, we headed back into the heat for what became our biggest tow challenge. In my trip preparation, I neglected to learn the topography of California's Mojave Desert! My shortcomings were soon realized when we hit our first of 3 to 5 mile uphill grades through the mountains around Needles. I watched my transmission and engine temperature gages climbing toward "hot," and I noticed cars and semis pulled off the road as they had no doubt succumbed to overheating. I wisely let the truck maintain its own pace without accelerating, and when we crested hills, I slipped her into neutral and coasted down after gaining as much speed as was safe to tow. Fortunately, the temperatures declined as well. We too, suffered from the heat from hot air blasting through the truck's cab. I dared not run the a/c for good reason. Fortunately, we made it through and pulled off the road for the night in Barstow. It was midafternoon, but the rig (and we) had suffered enough.

Day nine found us at our new home at last! We were relieved to be off the road and home in our new 55+ retirement community.

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One last funny note—we obviously triggered some kind of security warning when we exited the NY State Thruway at the end of our first day in Syracuse. Paying with a fifty dollar bill at a toll plaza gets you: A dirty look from the toll collector, your license plate photographed and logged by same, and an intense stare from a NYS Trooper.

I joked with Glory that we must have looked like terrorists—a 2009 Chevy Silverado with VT Veteran plate pulling a U-Haul car trailer with a 51 Chevy on board!!

Needless to say, it was an adventurous 9 day journey. We still hope to do RT 66 in a more suitable vehicle. (63 Stingray anyone?? LOL).

In the fall of 2017, I was fortunate enough to find a great, retired body man in San Diego who completed the body work and applied the eye popping Intense Blue Pearl paint to Dorothy. Now I have some trim left to re-install and the upholstery to do. As everyone knows, there's always something to do on old cars.

This is “See the USA in your Chevrolet” to the max. It should inspire you to go on the Old Highway 80 tour!!!



--Editor



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First Lady Sandy Watt



Norma Almanza and her mother Irene

Tom McIlravy wanted to blend in so he came dressed as a wall



The phrase "food is ready" and immediately there is a line



Larry Okey, Paula Okey, and Jack Heacock ready to dig in.



Bob and Beth with desserts galore



Doc McAllister looking happy and well fed

Bob created a book for Gary Jarvis about his 1968 Mercedes-Benz 250 SL. Here Bob and Sheldon Jurist



examine this book covering the 51 years since Gary bought it new, here in San Diego.



Shelia Jurist looking well after the crash that totaled their Mustang



Fred Puhn, Nannette Clark and Ken Munson

4th of July Coronado Parade

AACA WAS WELL REPRESENTED WITH 10 BEAUTIFUL CARS, OR SHOULD I SAY 10 BEAUTIFUL ROLLING ART PIECES!



Nick Fintzelberg 1946 Chrysler Town & Country Sedan leading the group on his birthday.



Bob & Grace Schlesier 1932 Chrysler CP-8 Convertible



Al Smithson 1948 Rolls-Royce Silver Wraith saloon



Tom McIlravy driving Al Smithson's 1955 Packard Caribbean Convertible



Larry & Paula Okey 1955 Buick Century 2-door Hardtop



Doug & Marilyn Clements 1956 Chevy Bel Air Hardtop



Ken Whited & Paul Johnson 1941 Cadillac Model 62 Sedan



Steve & Carol Ross 1987 MB 560SL Roadster



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