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Dear San Diego Region AACA Members,

Great big thanks go out to Mark and Diane Richards for another totally awesome tour. Precious Metals manager and owners welcomed us with open arms and highlighted the stories on each car. As a club, we are always looking for places to go and things to see while having fun with our cars, so if you have a favorite place or want to see something, make a few calls, and set it up for a club event.

The first Monday of every month is our general meeting. This is a great time to invite new members and potential new members to meet the members of the club.

Come join us on Saturday, October 22nd at Alex and Sandy Watt's place for a lunch special. They decorate the whole place in great Halloween décor and open the garages (with a British accent) to show off their unique collections. This will be in place of the normally scheduled breakfast.

Until we meet again, Happy Motoring
Tom McIlravy

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Member submissions are solicited, welcome, encouraged – all of that! Please email articles and photos of your antique automobiles and related activities.

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ANNUAL AWARDS: ALEX WATT, ART COTTEE, ROYCE DUNN, DARYL HOLMES, JACK HEACOCK

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(SEE CLUB ROSTER FOR ALL CONTACT INFO.)

Birthdays	Oct	
FORT	Suzanne	1
MCILRAVY	Tom	8
PRISER	Francy	8
FORT	Colin	18
PUHN	Margaret	18
WORTHINGTON	Barry	23
LANDI	Vel	24
ZOPFI	Verna	25
BOYD	Barbara	26
KRENTZ	T. C.	28
DUNN	Royce	29
SIMMONS	Jack	31
	Nov	
RICHARDS	Mark	7
WAGNER	Robert	17
WILLIAMS	Cindy	18
HUNT	Andy	19
LOCKE	Betty	21
BOOTH	Newell	23
ALEXANDER	Timothy	25
PETERSON	William	27

Anniversaries

Date

Mark & Bonnie Nash 4-Oct
 Steve & Carol Ross 4-Oct
 Colin & Suzanne Fort 15-Nov

If any Club Members are working on their cars please notify Alex Watt so that we can include your work in the presentation at the Annual Banquet. This doesn't need to be full frame-up restorations, as the goal is to show what is going on in the Club to keep our cars on the road.



Date	Event	Details
Oct 3	Regular Membership Meeting	Joyce Beers Center, 3900 Vermont St
Oct 8	<i>Auto Fest Ramona</i>	SDACC car festival
Oct 15	<i>Great Autos car show</i>	Near 3737 University, Hillcrest
Oct 20	Board Meeting	
Oct 22	Watt October Open House	Alex and Sandy Watt's, 11:00-2:00. 3610 Dupont Street
Nov 7	Regular Membership Meeting	Joyce Beers Center, 3900 Vermont St
Nov 13	SD Region Awards Banquet	Register today – form included this issue
Nov 19	Silent Movie, 5:00 pm	Trinity Church, 3902 Kenwood, Spring Valley
Dec 5	Regular Membership Meeting	Joyce Beers Center, 3900 Vermont St
Feb 2023	Silent Movie TBA, 5:00 pm	Trinity Church, 3902 Kenwood, Spring Valley

Members Meeting, September 5

The September meeting of the San Diego Region of the AACA was held at the Joyce Beers Center, 3900 Vermont St in Hillcrest. Al Smithson provided a delicious array of Krispy Kreme donuts and was assisted by Refreshments Coordinator Diane Richards and other volunteers. Fresh! Great assortment! Cold beverages and hot coffee completed the social hour furnishings.

John Boyd had located and slightly shortened a YouTube video about Henry Ford's role in early American aviation. The film was a collection of period silent films, sometimes narrated and sometimes accompanied by theater organ music, albeit not as varied or skilled as our club has become accustomed to with our Silent Movie program attendance! You can view the entire film by clicking on (or typing) this link:

<https://youtu.be/aLgTITCxitg>

The name badge drawing was finally won by the Treasurer's family. Barbara Boyd's ticket was drawn, so instead of moving the \$20 prize from one pocket to another, John produced the award and Barbara eagerly accepted it. *Photos: Bob Gunthorp*

How DMV Can Ruin Your Life

Or "Terry's Big Surprise" By Bob Gunthorp

First I will say that California's DMV does a remarkable job of keeping track of the estimated 26-plus million registered and non-registered vehicles in this state. That said, sometimes they do make mistakes and some of their mistakes can be "whoppers". Here is Terry's story...

It started early in July when she noticed that her "Permanent Handicap" placard had expired and she had not automatically received her new one as she usually does. She thought, "This will be easy to fix I'll just call DMV and have the new one sent to me". The person she spoke to at DMV said that there was a problem because the one they sent her had been returned to DMV. However they could not tell her why it was returned -- She'd have to go to the DMV in person to find out what the problem was.

She again thought, "This should be easy to fix." So she took her license, the old placard, and the registration for the placard, and off she went to DMV. After waiting for over an hour, a very nice man came to help her. He looked at all her documents, excused himself, and disappeared to the "back" room.

A short time later he reappeared and looked at her driver's license again, He then asked her several times if things easily upset her. After assuring him that they did not, he explained that he had found the problem. It seems the DMV records showed that she had passed away in 2003. But he said the good news was that the driver's license was definitely hers and she appeared to be very much alive. He then corrected the DMV records and issued her a new placard. I was very glad to find that Terry was still alive in spite of DMV's records.

The moral of the story is: *Just because the DMV says you are dead, don't make it necessarily so. One should always get a second opinion.*

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San Diego Region Tour of Precious Metals -- September 17

Members of AACA San Diego Region enjoyed a personal tour of Precious Metals Fine Motor Cars, with narration by David Young and Perry Mansfield, manager and owners of this vintage auto showroom and restoration shop. The cars included a Ferrari GTC, a Bentley Roadster, Corvettes, Mustangs and more, each with history and a background story.

Of particular interest was a 1972 Lamborghini Jarma GT Dual Sunroof. This car is unique because of the factory-installed wind deflectors for the sunroofs. It is one of only eleven known to have this feature, which keeps the rear window from blowing out at speeds over 150 mph. Another interesting car was a Model A that a carpenter drove out from the Midwest to San Francisco in the 30's and converted it to a boattail design. He abandoned the car because the police were after him for stealing it. The San Remo Hotel where he'd been staying kept it for unpaid rent.



28 members and friends turned out for this entertaining and informative event, enjoying the opportunity to socialize in this clean and organized automotive setting. Many thanks to David Young, and Perry and Judith Mansfield for hosting us.

Mark and Diane Richards, Tour Coordinators

Photos: Brad Zemcik and the Richards



Coming Events

Our annual Awards Banquet will be held at the Shelter Island Bay Club on November 13. That's just 6 weeks away! The club subsidizes the cost of the meal so the charge is only \$25 per person. If you haven't already registered and selected your meals, please do it today! The form is reprinted below. Send your payment of \$25 per person and your meal selection for each person to John Boyd. Past presidents and honorary or charter members are no charge.

Member Name _____	Chicken <input type="radio"/>	Salmon <input type="radio"/>	Filet Steak <input type="radio"/>	Veg <input type="radio"/>
Spouse/Guest Name _____	Chicken <input type="radio"/>	Salmon <input type="radio"/>	Filet Steak <input type="radio"/>	Veg <input type="radio"/>
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List additional guests and meal choices on back.

Total number of meals _____ x \$25 = _____ Check if past president, honorary, or charter.

Make checks payable to AACA San Diego and mail to John Boyd, 1201 Vista Capitan Dr, El Cajon, CA, 92020 by November 7. Increase price by \$10 per meal if postmarked after November 7.

Your check number: _____