

# THE FOOT WARMER



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## Scenes from Summers Past Farms Picnic



L to R: Nick Fintzelberg's 1938 Cadillac 60 Special, Daryl and Betty Holmes 1941 Chevy 2-dr Styleline Deluxe, Jack and Lynne Heacock's 1950 Cadillac 61 sport coupe, Gary Jarvis 2003 Mercedes-Benz SL 500, Larry and Paula Okey's 1955 Buick Century 2-dr hardtop, and Ted Thieman's 1971 Plymouth Duster.



Daryl Holmes Jr.'s 1955 Ford F100



L to R: Bob Gunthorp's 1966 Mercedes-Benz 250SE coupe, Cotte's 1965 Ford Mustang convertible, and Ted Thieman's 1971 Plymouth Duster



Meet Host Larry Okey

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## Summers Past Farms Picnic - April 27th - by Larry and Paula Okey

*photos by Bob Gunthorp and Tom McIlravy*

Saturday, April 27th was a warm, sunny day for our picnic tour. Twenty-four members showed up in eight older classic cars and four modern cars. After a pleasant drive of 45 minutes on city streets we parked on their beautiful large grass area lounging with food, hot and cold drinks, and sharing stories and experiences. A fun relaxing time was enjoyed by everyone. Thank you to all who participated.



This great group photo was taken by the Okey's son, Terry. Left to right: Tom McIlravy, Gary Jarvis, Sandy Watt, Daryl and Betty Holmes, Ken Munson, Lynne Heacock, Nannette Clark, Kieu Wildinson, Art Cottee, Alex Watt hiding behind Art, Al Smithson, Bob Gunthorp, Jack Heacock, Janette Hay, Phtllis Cottee, Christopher Di Patre, Meet Hostess Paula Okey, Ted Thieman and Nick Fintzelberg. Missing is Meet Host Larry Okey.



Terry Okey posing the group for the photo above



Just Chillin'



The Cottee's with their first great-granddaughter, Scarlet



Ted Thieman and Kieu Wildinson



Ken Munson and Nannette Clark



L to R: Tom McIlravy, Christopher Di Patre, Nick Fintzelberg, and Al Smithson

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A big thank you to Larry & Paula Okey for a wonderful fun tour to Summers Past Farms. One notable comment came from Nick Fintzelberg, who said that this was the first time in years that he had been on a tour in San Diego to a place he didn't know about. Sandy was busy in the nursery and found zinnias, vallarians, and penstemons, and was very happy that the zinnias were the giant variety as they were perfect for the front flower bed. Other members were seen finding treasures, in both the soap building and the gift shop. After the shopping it was time to relax and enjoy our picnic lunches on the grass field where the cars were displayed. Very relaxing day with good friends. This was the start of a busy weekend.

The following day, it was off to Coronado for the Motor Cars on Main Street. Several club members had cars on display, but we weren't parked together so I was only able to recognize Bob Gunthorp's Mercedes Ambulance, Larry & Paula Okey's Buick, and Keith Wahl's Triumph. Jack Heacock was also there but I didn't see where he was parked. Steve Ross had his 1939 Packard Super 8 there also. Sandy and I had a fun time "corrupting" the youth as we were constantly giving kids, and several big kids, the opportunity to get behind the wheel of our Aston Martin. This is something that we have been doing for years whenever we are out with one of old cars. You never know when you will see the spark ignite, starting one of the younger generation down the gear-head path. It's the only way our hobby will survive. We have to get the youth involved, and they will never forget the first time they sat behind the wheel of that "special" car.

May was a rather quiet month as Sam Judd had to cancel his tour scheduled for the 4th, and the only other event was the Ladies Lunch on the 15th. Thanks to Susan Woods, Betty Holmes, and Lynn Heacock for organizing the lunch.

Happy touring, and remember to "corrupt" the youth.

Alex Watt

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

JUN	3	General Membership Meeting
JUN	19	<b>Day at Del Mar Fair - Wednesday</b> Larry & Paula Okey 619.582.9676
JUN	29	<b>Bar-B-Que</b> Bob Gunthorp 619.993.0184
JUL		NO General Membership Meeting
JUL	4	<b>4th of July Coronado Parade</b> Al Smithson
AUG	5	General Membership Meeting
AUG	14	<b>Chicken Fest</b> Mike Cooke 619.447.9876
SEP	2	General Membership Meeting
SEP	28	<b>Desert Tower Tour</b> Mark Richards 541.517.1393
OCT	7	General Membership Meeting
OCT	TBD	<b>Silent Movie</b> - Al Smithson 619.992.8729
OCT	TBD	<b>Watt's Halloween Party</b> Alex & Sandy Watt 619.223.6519
OCT	TBD	<b>Edgemoor Hospital Car Show</b> Doug Clements 858.487.8617
NOV	4	General Membership Meeting
NOV	10	<b>Annual Banquet</b> Bob Gunthorp 619.993.0184
NOV	TBD	<b>Silent Movie</b> - Al Smithson 619.992.8729
NOV	TBD	Region Tour Event
DEC	2	General Membership Meeting
DEC	1	<b>Bells of Freedom</b> Bob Gunthorp 619.993.0184

**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.**

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## FREE DEL MAR FAIR TICKETS!

A limited number of **FREE Del Mar Fair tickets** are available for Wednesday June 19th. 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).**

## ALL AMERICAN BAR-B-Q AT BOB GUNTHORP'S HOME

Catered by Wranglers Catered Bar-B-Q - Beef, ham, beans, slaw, etc.

Saturday June 29th ♦ Arrive about 11:00 and lunch at 12:30

Cost is \$15.00 per person.

Send your **RSVP AND CHECK by June 23rd** directly to:  
**Bob Gunthorp 2176 Leon Ave. San Diego, CA 92154**  
An accurate count is necessary for the caterer...and if you want to get fed!

Directions:

I-5 South towards the border ♦ Take Coronado Ave exit (Exit 4)

♦ Continue straight, south on Hollister St.

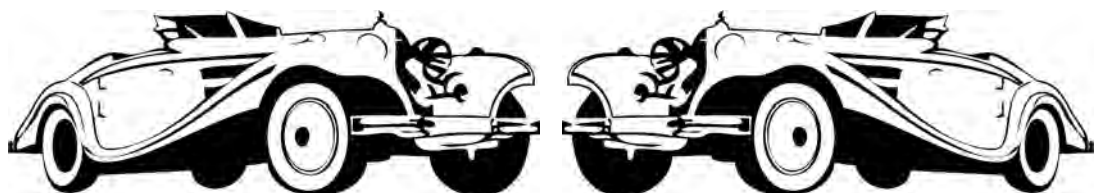
♦ From Hollister turn right onto Leon Ave  
(traffic signal across from Southwest High School)

♦ 2176 Leon in on the right just past the sign that reads :  
"25 mph when children are present"

♦ Orange cones will be at the driveway entrance ♦  
Antique cars drive through to the back  
Modern cars park in front when you pull in

Delight in seeing Bob's collection of unusual Mercedes-Benz cars

Organizers: Bob Gunthorp and Daryl Holmes  
Bob's contact information: badwrench7@cox.net 619.993.0184



## Car Photo Opportunity

This year at Bob's Bar-B-Q we will be photographing any old car that shows up, not modern cars. If you are planning on driving your old car please let Brad Zemcik know so we can work out the logistics for easier processing. You can get a free digital copy and you may see your car on the cover of The Foot Warmer!

### 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 at 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



**Sam and Deborah Judd** provided refreshments at the May meeting. Here Sam is beginning to fill the table with some of Deborah's fantastic homemade treats!



Mark Richards accepting the \$20 from Alex for the drawing. Hope you had a good time spending it Diane!

Friday night April 27 was the opening of Cruising Grand in Escondido. Each week they set aside an area for specific clubs or marques.

This week they choose German and British vehicles. Janette and I attended with my Red 1966 Mercedes 250SE Coupe. When we returned from



dinner I was handed a note that said "Congratulations your car is a winner." That came as a complete surprise and was quite an honor. They interview each of the winners and then presented them with a plaque. --Bob Gunthorp

*July-August edition of  
The Foot Warmer*

Because of the June events being held later in the month, the 4th of July Parade early in July, and we have no general meeting, the next issue will arrive later in July and be a July & August issue.

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

John Boyd	1
Don Chaplin	2
Mike Cooke	4
Lynne Heacock	4
David Willoughby	4
David Finney	21
Bob Schlesier	28

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Shelia and Sheldon Jurist	14
Janet and David Finney	20
Cindy and Dave Keetch	21
Marilyn and Doug Clements	24
Susan and Darrell Christian	29

**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

Nick Fintzelberg	4
Patricia Ludi	5
Jerry Kay	6
Bud Hartwell	20
Virgil Woods	23
Art Cottee	25
Art St Cyr	27

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Joe and Cathy Cibit	9
Don Chaplin and Andy Hunt	10
Claire and Mike Cooke	10
Bessie and Monty Ostberg	30
Ruth and Keith Wahl	30

# The Annual Ladies Luncheon

by Susan Woods

Photos by Bob Gunthorp and Betty Holmes



Standing L to R: Sheila Jurist, Lynne Heacock, Phyllis Cottee, Jerri Laprade, Cathy Cibit, Peggy Spitz, Robert the server, Suzanne Fort, Susan Woods, Diane Richards, Paula Okey, Frances Dunn, and Betty Holmes (in green coat). Seated L to R: Judy Masek, Barbara Foley, Janette Hay, Doris Chidgey, Nannette Clark, and Bette Hayward.

Although the skies were gray, no one who attended the Ladies Luncheon seemed to mind. Seated right next to the windows overlooking the bay in Peohe's restaurant, Coronado, twenty members and guests enjoyed a beautiful view, delicious food, and the opportunity to visit with other members. Since he agreed to be our photographer for the day, Bob Gunthorp was also a part of the group.

Thanks to **Betty Holmes** and **Phyllis Cottee** for providing the invitations and to **Lynne Heacock** for taking the reservations. Table favors were provided by **Susan Woods**. A special thanks to **Peggy Spitz** for bringing a choice of necklaces for each lady.

Susan Woods





Frances Dunn & Phyllis Cottee



Cathy Cibit



Peggy Spitz



Mother and daughter Betty Holmes and Jerri Laprade



Bette Hayward



Diane Richards



Janette Hay and designated photographer Bob Gunthorp



Suzanne Fort



**This is one event that always gets huge accolades. Ladies, mark your calendars for May, 2020. Great location, great food and most important, GREAT ladies.**

Last month I mentioned that **Bette Hayward** had again won another **MASTER EDITOR AWARD**. In my haste I misspelled her name. I stand corrected with apologies to you **BETTE!**