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Friendship Day, Sunday May 21, 2023

We need volunteers to help run the gate. More info will be coming, but you can sign up now for your preferred time. Call Jim Remington in the evening. You will either be collecting money or directing cars. It's easy and you get to see all the cars as they enter. **Bonus** – if you work you do not have to pay the entrance fee!



Times: 6:30-7:45; 7:15-9:00; 9-10;
10-11; 11-12; 12-1:15ish

Call Jim: 650-342-0852 evening

Goodbye Camero

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Hey Ford fans. Can you name all the models Ford Motor offered in 1968?
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Former member Wayne Wenger sent me a copy of the front page of this 2005 "Old Cars Weekly Magazine". Ted Panofsky was able to cut and paste it so our Editor Jim Remington could fit in our newsletter. (Tanya Pomposo)

Over **328** car events listings and show & auction ads this week!
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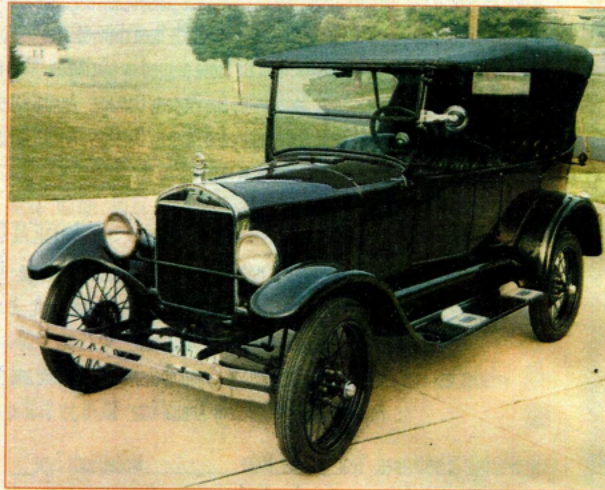
California Club Celebrates 45th Anniversary

The Mid Peninsula Old Time Auto Club in California is celebrating its 45th anniversary in August. The club was formed in 1960 when antique cars like this 1927 Ford Model T were the cornerstone of the old car hobby.

Edited By the Old Cars Staff

On August 28, 2005, the Mid Peninsula Old Time Auto Club (MPOTAC) in the San Francisco, California, Bay Area will be celebrating its 45th anniversary with a grand reunion picnic, inviting everyone that has been responsible for the club's success since its founding back in 1960. The MPOTAC is one of the most successful auto clubs on the West Coast, encompassing all makes and models of automobiles 35 years or older.

Among the many successes in the portfolio of the MPOTAC is the annual Friendship Day. Introduced in 1963, it was the brainstorm of member Jim Davis who thought it would be a gesture of good will to invite all northern California old car clubs to get together in one location for a clubs-only picnic and day of fun. "With only car people there, we can leave our car, walk around, look at all the great cars in attendance, kick tires with other car nuts, and not have to worry about someone lifting your hood, opening a door, or climbing on your car. I think it's a great idea!"
 By 1969, Friendship Day was getting more



than 1,000 old cars in attendance, an unheard-of number in those days, anywhere in the country! To this day, the MPOTAC produces Friendship Day, which is still the premier car show for the hobbyist in northern California, and is always held the Sunday after Mother's Day. There are no awards, and the cars range from great old barn finds to gorgeous concours winners. All car owners look forward to this once-a-year event in the fine California weather. This year, Friendship Day was chaired by Mark and Kay Barchas, who moved it to a new, larger facility, Canada College, in Redwood City, California. The clubs now have room to grow to around 2,000 cars. In keeping with the "friendly get-together" theme, the club has made a concerted effort to keep the

cost for attending this event down to \$10.00 per car.

Ed Archer, president of the MPOTAC, recently announced that the club will be holding the reunion picnic for all present and past members of the club to celebrate the organization's 45th anniversary. This reunion will be a re-enactment of the first tour that the club held 45 years ago. The tour will begin at Wellesley Crescent Park in Redwood City, California, and continue on the beautiful back roads to the Pulgas Water Temple, ending at Beresford Park in San Mateo, California, where there will be a grand barbecue.

For additional information regarding this event, contact Adele Fortes at 650-368-9680 or manpat@aol.com. Pre-registration for this event is necessary.

President's Message.

Good News,

Happy Easter to all, and best wishes as you find a way to celebrate Earth Day in your community.

Friendship Day 2023 is still happening, and our newly formed committee is two months into securing the location and making arrangements for guest registration, hospitality, bathrooms, garbage, and a much smaller raffle at 1pm sharp. Many thanks to our dedicated club officers and members who have agreed to donate their time and energy, to provide another great experience for our families and friends at the Port of Redwood City. Please plan to join us on Sunday, May 21st, from 8am to 2pm with your best car for display.

We had a great time joining the Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Club on March 18th, visiting a private car collection in Richmond, CA. Our resident Ferrari expert, Kevin Enderby hosted an event at Auto Vino on April 1st, and we look forward to hearing a follow-up report. On Saturday, April 22nd all MPOTAC members are invited to join us for a leisurely cruise from the Highland's Community Club, and a tour of the Portola Valley Alpine Railroad "museum". This is the site of the former 'Littlefield Collection', offering great scenery and stunning views of the Peninsula. Every car entering the grounds must pay \$10.00, which supports the volunteer driven community that maintains the facilities. We will meet at the club at 9:30am, and depart promptly at 10am; please bring some water and a snack for yourself.

Thank you, Ted Panofsky, for managing the last regular meeting, and many thanks to Tanya & Frank Pomposo and Bill Bratt for helping organize our club closet, meeting supplies, and priorities for Friendship Day 2023.

Join us on the 22nd, or the 28th,

Charlie

(Sign to the right, the teacher in me spotted the spelling error) *Editor, Jim*





Production for the sixth generation Chevrolet Camaro will officially come to an end after the 2024 model year. Chevy is sending the Camaro out in style with a limited production “Collector’s Edition” for the 2024 model year, too.

If you’re wondering about what comes next for the Camaro nameplate, there isn’t a complete answer available yet. The only thing Chevy is prepared to say today is that the “Camaro” name will continue to be used in racing series like NASCAR, IMSA, SRO, NHRA and the Supercars Championship. You just won’t be able to find any on dealer lots after the 2024 model year is sold out.

Chevy says the last Camaros will roll off the Lansing Grand River Assembly Plant in January 2024, signaling that the final year will be a short one. For comparison’s sake, 2023 model year Charger and Challenger production is slated to continue until December 31, 2023. Even though the Camaro is technically lasting one model year more, its production will end just a month after Dodge calls it quits on its muscle cars.

As for the Collector’s Edition, Chevy isn’t releasing any more than some surface details about it today. It’ll be available as a package for RS, SS and ZL1 models for 2024. Plus, Chevy says to expect references back to the development of the first-gen Camaro, particularly as an homage to the program’s code name: Panther.

Orders for the Collector’s Edition will begin in summer this year, and Chevy says to expect a full breakdown of information then.



Gasoline Additives By Jim Remington

Many of us use Sta-Bil brand gasoline additive to keep our gas “fresh.” I’ve learned of another product that claims to keep gas fresh and negate the harmful effects of the ethanol in our gasoline.



Almost all of the gasoline sold in the United States contains 10 percent ethanol, which can safely be used in all of today’s gasoline-burning cars and trucks. Ethanol is a cleaner

burning fuel than gasoline. It is created from biomass, especially corn. Arguments rage about the true environmental impact of growing corn to create ethanol versus drawing crude oil from wells and then refining it. But for now, ethanol is here to stay. Modern cars are designed to use this newer fuel, however our old cars are not.



This ethanol enhanced gasoline can wreak havoc with our old cars.

Some have complained that earlier gasoline tank sealers have lifted off in sheets, clogging the fuel pickup at the bottom of the tank. This E10 gasohol boils at a very low temperature. This could cause hard starts when the motor is hot or possibly gasoline vapor lock.

I’m going to try this product that claims to “Cures and prevents ethanol fuel problems. Star Tron breaks down excess water and sludge to sub-micron size, allowing it to be safely burned away during normal engine operation which helps prevent phase separation.”

It is sold on Amazon.

Why Do They Do That?

Three Handles On Jerry Can

If you love traveling and camping, you've surely seen a Jerry can before. While you may know it can hold up to five gallons of fuel, you may be confused as to why there are three handles across the top. These are there to make sure the fuel inside is evenly distributed while you're carrying the can, especially if two people are carrying it. With two people, they should each grab the two outside handles. But if you're strong enough to carry it alone, you should grab the middle handle.



Upcoming MPOTAC Events

April 24 - Board Meeting, 7:30

April 28 - Regular Meeting, 7:30, Highlands Club

April 22 - Portola Valley Alpine Railroad tour.
See details below.

May 21 - Friendship Day, Port of Redwood City

October 14 - Mini Concours, Magnolia in Millbrae

Portola Valley Alpine Railroad Tour

The April 22nd tour will be to Portola Valley Alpine Railroad. We will meet at the community center at 9:30 and leave at 10. The cost per car is \$10. You may bring as many people that will fit in your vehicle. This will be a running board lunch (bring your own lunch). There are tables for those who do not have running boards. We really hope you will join us and ride the RAILROAD. *(from Bill Bratt)*

Hey Ford fans. Can you name all the models Ford Motor offered in 1968? Well, here they are: Fairlane, Falcon, Falcon Futura, Galaxie, LTD, Mustang, Mustang GT, Thunderbird, Torino, Torino GT, Ranchero, Bronco, F-Series truck, Econoline Club Wagon, Econoline Van.

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Maltese Heritage Association Car Show

The **MHA's 9th Annual Classic Car Show** is on **Sunday May 7th** at College of San Mateo! Free admittance for all spectators! Enjoy....

For information check out their website:

[Maltese Heritage Association - San Francisco Bay Area](#)

- Incredible Classic Cars
- Live music from the 50's - 70's
- Food Truck Options
- Awesome raffle prizes
- Best of Class Awards
- Best of Show Larry Barbieri Memorial Award

Even though our event will be at the **College of San Mateo** we want to assure you that....

• **Restrooms will be available** in the Fine Arts Courtyard. This building is right across the way from Lot A which is where our event will be held.

- **Tables and chairs will be onsite** so grab a bite from our amazing Food Trucks, kick back and enjoy music from the 50's - 70's by our DJ, AintitDope Entertainment!
- There will be **free parking and admittance** for all spectators.

Pacific Coast Dream Machines (*not a MPOTAC event*)

This year's spectacular show will be held on Sunday, April 30, from 10 am to 4pm at Half Moon Bay Airport's Eddie Andreini Field, located in the picturesque seaside town of Half Moon Bay. This show features some 2000 magnificent driving, flying, and working machines from the 20th and 21st centuries.

Swap Meet, April 30th at All Ford Parts. See flyer in this newsletter.

Volunteers Wanted for the WWII merchant ship Jeremiah O'Brien

The Jeremiah O'Brien has recently been moved to Pier 35 in San Francisco. Volunteers of all skills (or no immediate skills!) are needed. You will be trained. For example, the galley is in need of people and you will be trained on your responsibilities. Days and times work around your schedule. Parking is being arranged. For more information check out the website: www.ssjeremiahobrien.org

Somewhere West of Laramie

SOMEWHERE west of Laramie there's a broncho-busting, steer-roping girl who knows what I'm talking about.

She can tell what a sassy pony, that's a cross between greased lightning and the place where it hits, can do with eleven hundred pounds of steel and action when he's going high, wide and handsome.

The truth is—the Playboy was built for her.

Built for the lass whose face is brown with the sun when the day is done of revel and romp and race.

She loves the cross of the wild and the tame.

There's a savor of links about that car—of laughter and lilt and light—a hint of old loves—and saddle and quilt. It's a brawny thing—yet a graceful thing for the sweep o' the Avenue.

Step into the Playboy when the hour grows dull with things gone dead and stale.

Then start for the land of real living with the spirit of the lass who rides, lean and rangy, into the red horizon of a Wyoming twilight.



Can you name the car this ad was promoting?

MPOTAC Board Meeting

March 20, 2023

The meeting was called to order by president Chaelie Dreschsler, Jr. at 7:28 PM.

Membership: Bill Mitchell was not available, but Ted Panofsky reported one new member.

Secretary: Minutes of the February board and general meeting minutes were approved as printed in our newsletter.

Treasurer: No major changes were reported by Ted Panofsky. All fees were paid to the Port of Redwood City for Friendship Day.

Health/Welfare: Tanya Pomposo was not available.

Tours: Scheduled are: 1.) Saturday, April 1st-Auto Vino, \$55/person, includes lunch. Contact Kevin Enderby for more info. 2.) Saturday, April 22nd-Portola Valley Alpine Railroad. Need at least 10 cars. As of March 20th, only 6 cars have signed up. Possibility of event cancellation if there is not enough cars. Contact Bill Bratt for more info.

Friendship Day: Progress is ongoing for all committee sections. A meeting will be scheduled in a couple of weeks for a report.

Publications: Jim Remington reports no major changes.

Webmaster: Ted Panofsky reports nothing new.

Social Media: Lewald Ferris was not available.

Historian: Ed Krantz will have material for our general meeting on Friday-March 24th.

Unfinished Business: The club will concentrate on Friendship Day. By-laws review and revisions will continue after Friendship Day.

New Business: All fees were paid to the Port of Redwood City for Friendship Day. Slowly but surely the event is progressing forward.

Meeting adjourned: 8:30 PM. Submitted by: Ed Wong

MPOTAC General Meeting

March 24, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Ted Panofsky, substituting for Charlie Dreschsler, Jr., at 7:30 PM. Thank You, Ted.

Membership: Bill Mitchell reported one returning member. The Johnsons of Palo Alto have renewed their membership.

Secretary: A correction was voiced by Bill Mitchell. The February 24th general meeting, under the Membership section, should have been “niece” instead of “daughter.” Sorry Bill, I forgot you have sons only. Otherwise, minutes were approved as printed.

Treasurer: Ted Panofsky reports our budget is solvent. Our membership dues have been used up for Friendship Day fees. Further info upon request.

Health/Welfare: Tanya Pomposo reports all is well.

Tours: 1.) Sat./April 1st- Auto Vino Concourse Seminar, \$55/person-includes lunch. Contact Kevin Enderby for more info. 2.) Sat./April 22nd-Portola Valley Railway, \$10/per car-bring your own lunch. Contact Bill Bratt for more info.

Friendship Day: All committee sections are making progress. A volunteer list have been sent out. As requested by Jim Remington, please sign up.

Publications: Jim Remington was not available.

Webmaster: Ted Panofsky has posted the volunteer sign up list for Friendship Day. Upgrading our website is ongoing.

Social Media: Lewald Ferris has a website for MPOTAC promotional items

Historian: Ed Krantz was not available.

Refreshments: Thank you Vince and Marilyn Perry for the delicious cookies.

Raffle: 1957 Chevy jigsaw puzzle won by Lewald Ferris

Meeting Adjourned: 8:02 PM Submitted by: Ed Wong

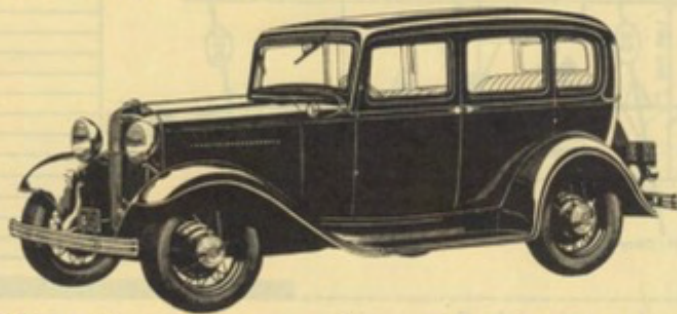
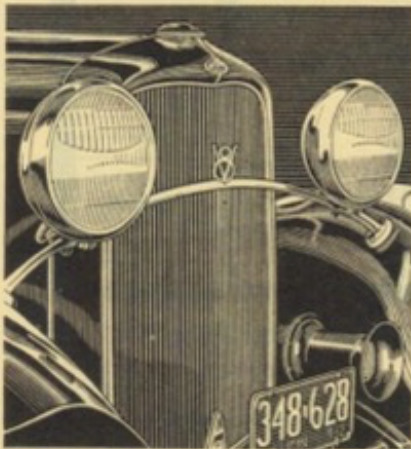


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SWAP MEET

Sunday, April 30th 2023
6:00AM – 11:00AM

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