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SEND IN YOUR DUES MONEY NOW!

President's Message

Dear MPOTAC Family,

Thank you all for paying your club dues before February, and sharing any updated information necessary for our new roster, which is being thoughtfully assembled by Bill Mitchell.

Here's a quick note to thank all our members who are helping again with the inventory for Friendship Day 2022, and agreeing to assist our event Chairman Bob Moll, with gathering raffle prizes, assembling resources, and making time to ensure that our special event is handled with care.

We've got our Annual Picnic reserved at Beresford Park in San Mateo for Sunday, August 28th, 2022; and Bill Bratt has agreed to lend his leadership to the team assembled. Bill recently assisted with coordinating a great shared event, when our members joined the Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Club, for a tour of the Rosie the Riveter Museum, and Red Oak Liberty Ship in Richmond.

Charlie Drechsler, Sr. has led the charge with recruiting our best club resources for personal presentations at regular meetings.

This month will introduce our very own Kevin Enderby, who will regale us with his best advice for preparing a car for touring, show,

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judging, and ultimately the awards he worked hard to earn. Kevin's enthusiasm for fine cars spans the years, from a 1929 Ford Model A Roadster to a 1984 Ferrari 308 GTS; he'll share some great stories at our Friday meeting, on February 25th.

Our Board has continued to compare notes and check the records as we prepare for an updated budget and by-laws revision process, to be discussed and voted on at regular meetings in the near future.

Thank you for your participation and support,
Charlie Drechsler, Jr.

Cars & Coffee

Your editor and Bob Moll attended the Cars and Coffee at Borel Square in San Mateo. I brought my 1966 Volkswagon Beetle. There were perhaps 120 cars attending. However, almost all were "modern" cars, 1990's with some older and some newer. Lots of muscle cars. Here's a few. Not sure if this occurs monthly.



There will be another gathering sponsored by Cars and Coffee Peninsula on March 13th, 7 to 10, near Breakers Café, 270 Woodside Plaza, Redwood City. This event happens every 2nd Sunday of the month.

The January Tour (as reported by Charlie Drechsler Sr.)— On January 23rd MPOTAC joined the Model T Club to tour in Richmond-Alameda. The first stop was the Rosy the Riveter Museum in Richmond, home of the former Ford plant. The last vehicles left there in 1953. There was a self-guided tour through the museum. Attendees saw a movie of war time activity 42 to 45, memories of war time collection centers, items vital to the war effort.

The next stop was the SS Red Oak ammunition ship built to out run enemy submarines. She served in the Pacific Japan invasion and later in Korea.

Good weather and a very enjoyable and educational tour.

Message from the editor – Jim Remington

In order to get the newsletter to you on a timely basis I need to receive copy (articles and information) by the end of the month. **So, my deadline is the last day of the month.** Please send me items for the newsletter on or before then.

I invite all members to submit items to be published. More on that in future newsletters. If you have suggestions or comments, please contact me. I want this newsletter to work for you!

ACCC Donation

At the last general meeting the members voted to donate \$100 to the Association of California Car Clubs (ACCC) in Sacramento. The ACCC is a volunteer organization that represent the interests of individual members and car clubs across the state. The ACCC consists of thousands of automobile hobbyists throughout the state who are interested in California laws and policies regarding collector automobiles. For more information, you can visit their website, <http://accdefender.org/>.

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Future Tour Survey from Jim Remington

I was thinking of putting together a "garage tour." A garage tour is when we have three club members open up their garage and we tour to that garage to see their car. We don't actually have to go inside the garage.

In our Model A Club, we would meet at a member's house/garage for coffee and donuts. Look at the car(s). Move on to the next garage. Look at the car(s). Then move on to the final garage. Look at the car(s) and have a lunch. Members could do a pot luck at the last stop or pizzas could be ordered with everyone contributing to the cost. Of course, we could do the tour without food and end up at a restaurant for lunch.



So far we have 4 possible garage locations. Are you interested in being the fifth possibility? No date has been set yet.

Contact Jim Remington by email: mtshatachalet@yahoo.com or by phone: 1-650-342-0852. I'll give you more details.

Upcoming MPOTAC Events

Tour event and date not set as of this publication. Stay tuned!

February 21 – Regular Board meeting, 7:30 (open to all)

February 25 – Regular meeting at the Highlands Clubhouse, 7:30

Club News

This newsletter your publication. Have an event or article you'd like to submit? An idea for future Club events? News from another club? Please contact your editor Jim Remington at 650-342-0852 or e-mail: mtshastachalet@yahoo.com. This newsletter is published once a month except in December.

Other Automotive Events

March 13 – Cars and Coffee in Redwood City, 7 to 10, near Breakers Café, 270 Woodside Plaza, Redwood City. This event happens every 2nd Sunday of the month.

March 9 to 13 -- Silicon Valley Auto Show, at the Santa Clara Convention Center,

May 1 – Car show at the San Mateo Elks Club put on by the Maltese Heritage Association. No other information at this time

May 21 – Ocean Ave. Antique & Exotic Car Show, 12-3. Beep's Burgers in San Francisco

September 17, Saturday – Antique Autos in History Park. 635 Phelan Ave, San José, 11-4. Vehicles pre 1946.

Oct. 15 -- Fez-O-Rama, 11-5, San Mateo County Fairgrounds

Committee Chairs

Membership -- Bill Mitchell

Webmaster -- Ted Panofsky

Publications -- Jim Remington

Programs – Charlie Drechsler Sr.

Refreshments – Bill Bratt

Friendship Day – Bob Moll

Historian -- Ed Krantz

Health & Welfare -- Tanya Pomposo

Not a member yet?
Would you like to learn more about our club?
Check out our website at: mpotac.com. Or contact our President at 650-270-4925. Dues are \$20 for the calendar year. Meetings and old car events/tours are generally once a month, except in December.



Former Club Member Marie Cavalli past away January 16th. Here is a write-up of her life.

Marie lived a wonderful life. She was born on May 22nd, 1914 on her family's dairy ranch in Pomponio, CA. She was the youngest of five.

At age 4, Marie started her education at the one-room schoolhouse down the road because they needed more students to keep it open. She walked to school through fields of fava beans that towered over her, frightened of the snakes in her path. She liked school and wanted to be a teacher from the very beginning.

Marie went to Pescadero High School and met the love of her life on the school bus when she was a sophomore. He was the handsome new transfer student from Sequoia High School, Milton.

Their first encounter did not go well. Each morning, Milton, who was picked up first, would sprawl across the front seats of the bus. Marie was last to be picked up. When she looked for a seat on the crowded bus, Milton refused to move over to give her a seat. She thought he was a rude bully.

Then, a few months into her sophomore year, Marie's sister-in-law threw a Valentine's Day party for her and her classmates. Milton arrived in his best outfit and enthusiastically participated in the games. Marie was impressed when he was willing to push a peanut across the floor with his nose to win a relay race.

They started dating soon after that party, beginning an 83-year romance. After a long engagement, they were married for 76 years. They loved to travel, dance (ballroom and square dance...Marie made all the costumes) play tennis, spend a part of every week at their cabin in La Honda relaxing...but mostly working, and going on car trips with the car clubs.

Marie was the only one in her family to go to college. She got a cosmetology license from College of San Mateo and a BA and teaching credential from San Jose State University. She taught for 36 years, first in the one-room schoolhouse that she had attended in Pomponio, where she served as teacher, principal, and janitor. She even had to purify the water and keep the wood stove heater stoked.

During WWII, Marie taught in San Leandro and rode a bicycle (purchased with rations) to and from school. She quickly learned that it was safest and most practical to wear pants, rather than the long skirts that were considered proper attire for a teacher at the time. But she wore her pants anyway, clear in her convictions that practicality was more important than propriety in this case.

Starting in 1946, Marie taught at Beresford Park School in San Mateo. She provided an enriching experience for her students: taking them on field trips, publishing their stories and poems in the local newspapers and planning large-scale art projects. Two permanent clay pieces made by her students were installed on the school grounds—an obelisk that stood at the entrance to the school and a clay mural depicting California history on the entrance wall.

In 1944, Marie's daughter Kristeen was born. Since Marie worked as a teacher throughout Kris' childhood, summers were their opportunity to spend quality time together. Marie and Kris would spend the summer months in La Honda, swimming in the pool, playing canasta, and rehearsing for weekly dance recitals, performed for friends and neighbors in the outdoor Play Bowl every Saturday.

In 1963, Marie and Kris took a three month tour of Europe. She asked Milton to come along, but he declined. After two months, he missed her and Kris so much that he bought a ticket and joined them. For Marie and Milton, that was the first of many travels throughout the US and abroad.

In 1975 she retired from teaching when her granddaughter Shaleece was born. In 1979 her grandson, Brent, was born. She loved being a grandmother and was excited to pass on her love of nature to her grandkids.

In her retirement, Marie loved to play tennis. She won some trophies at her local club and played until she was 93. She learned to use the computer, wrote her autobiography and enjoyed writing poetry.

Marie and Milton had a very active social life and many friends. They especially loved adventuring with their car clubs. On one particularly exciting trip to Yosemite, a wheel on their Model T Ford came loose on a windy, narrow road on the side of a cliff. The others in the Model T caravan helped wire the wheel together and they continued on their adventure.

Milton died at 102 in 2015 and Marie went to live in Becky and Vito's care home and there she was cared for by the wonderful Liza Magbiray. When the care home closed two years later, Marie and Liza moved to an apartment complex where they quickly grew close to their neighbors, building close and lasting friendships. Every day, Marie loved watching and hearing the children play. Milton's best friend, Bill and his wife Pat visited them every Sunday. Liza and Marie lived there until Marie had a beautiful and peaceful passing on January 16, 2022.

In lieu of flowers, we invite you to contribute in Marie's name to one of the organizations below:

Caring Across Generations

<https://caringacross.org/>

To donate online, visit

<https://go.caringacross.org/a/give>

To donate by check:

Make your check out to **National Domestic Workers Alliance**. In the memo please be sure to write "**Caring Across Generations**". Mail your check to:

National Domestic Workers Alliance
C/o Cecille Zacarias, Chief Operating Officer
45 Broadway, Suite 320
New York, NY 10006

Pilipino Workers Center

<https://www.pwcsc.org/> To donate online: <https://pwcsc.ourpowerbase.net/civicrm/contribute/transact?reset=1&id=9>

To donate by check, make your check out to **Pilipino Workers Center** and mail it to:

153 Glendale Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90026



MPOTAC General Meeting

Jan. 28, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President Charlie Drechsler at 7:33pm.

Secretary: Minutes of our December meeting taken by Maureen Krantz, were printed in our newsletter and approved.

Membership: Ted Panofsky reported for Bill Mitchell's absence. Member dues are still being collected. Still working on new updated roster booklet. Postage cost has skyrocketed.

Treasurer: Ted Panofsky reported the following as of January 1, 2022. \$14805.23 in savings, \$2405.23 checking, \$117.31 cash for a total of \$17,327.79.

Tours: Charlie, Jr. is working on future tour events.

Friendship Day: Bob Moll was not feeling well. Jim Remington reported for Bob. Still waiting for Paragon Point decision. Will not know until February 16, 2022. A planning meeting is scheduled for February 4th or 9th at Franz Lorist's house. More details to follow.

Publications: Jim Remington is working on reducing the price of printing for our newsletter. As of now, 27 copies are sent out, but 30 are printed. One is to keep on file and others are given out to other clubs.

Webmaster: No new changes reported by Ted Panofsky. Greetings were sent out to new members. As always, pictures and stories are welcomed.

Health/Welfare: Nothing new to report from Tanya Pomposo. Private services for Marie Cavalli.

Historian: Ed Krantz reported on the history of our club, MPOTAC. As of now, only 5 active original members remain since the start of the club. Newspaper articles showing past events, members and their cars secured on a large picture frame was on display at the meeting.

Unfinished Business: Ed Archer motioned for a donation of \$200 to the California Auto Museum. Bill Bratt second the motion and was approved by the members at the meeting. Also, Ed Archer motioned for a donation of \$100 to ACCC. Ed Krantz second the motion and was approved too.

Ted Panofsky received a "100 Best" poster from Speedway Motors for his 1936 Dodge Pickup.

Program: Charlie, Sr. has speakers lined up for our future meetings.

Refreshments: Ed and Maureen Krantz provided cake.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23pm.

Submitted by: Ed Wong, co-secretary__

MPOTAC Board Meeting

January 24, 2022

The meeting was called to order by president Charlie Drechsler at 7:50pm. Eight members were present.

The minutes of the last meeting were printed in the newsletter and were approved as read. The balance in our accounts will not be included in the minutes but are available upon request at the secretary's desk.

Membership: Ted Panofsky reported for Bill Mitchell that 30 members have paid. He also reported that Tanya will send Marie Calvelli's family a sympathy card and her obituary will be in our next newsletter. Bill Mithcell is working on the new roster.

Treasurer: Ted reported we are solvent and he is now banking on line, he paid the rent of the hall that was in arrears plus three months in advance. He will be focusing on putting together a budget for 2022. The subject of having an insurance policy to protect the board members was discussed but they believe it is already covered in our present policy.

Tour Director: No chair, but Bill Bratt arranged for our club to join the Model T Ford Club for a tour to the Rosie The Riveter Museum. A garage tour is in the planning, four members have already volunteered their garages, DTBA. Bill Bratt is working on a rail road tour for April 23rd.

Friendship Day: Bob Moll reported that he won't know if we will get the same place until mid Feb.

Publication: Jim Remington thinks the printer is overcharging us and will check into it.

Web Master: Ted has received car pictures from the new members cars.

Historian: Ed Krantz will have a presentation at the meeting. Bob Moll requested some history of our club. Charlie Drechsler Sr. has 5 presentations lined up for our entertainment at future meetings.

Refreshments: Maureen Krantz will provide them at Fri 29th meeting.

Unfinished business: Question, did we join ACCC. Bill Bratt said no but we have made a donation to the Calif. Auto Museum in the past. Jim Remington made a motion to research how much we did pay. Bill Bratt seconded it.

New Business: We will take inventory of club assets that are stored in several places, need volunteers.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm,

Respectfully submitted, Maureen Krantz, co-secretary