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Above: A well-organized Ferrari garage at Keven Enderby's house. More Garage Tour photos inside this newsletter

President's Message

Dear Members,

Happy Labor Day, Happy Grandparent's Day, and yes ... the Fall Equinox approaches quickly.

Many thanks to Jim Remington for the excellent progressive garage tour, hosted by Keven Enderby, Frank & Tanya Pomposo, and Brian Andrews (assisted by Ed & Karen Archer). It takes a great deal of time and energy for our members to share their cars,

homes, and culinary treats with us, and we want to thank these members for their time and attention to making this a fantastic day for the club.

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MPOTAC Garage Tour

By Jim Remington



Our August tour to three garages was a fabulous success with about 25-30 members attending. Most drove their old cars on this local car tour. We started at Keven Enderby's well organized garage showing two beautiful Ferraris and a Model A (see last month's newsletter for a pic of the Model A). Keven provide the group with donuts and coffee. He also took us on a tour of his house. Every wall is covered with framed pictures of automobiles. Very cool.

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Photos from page two, top right, clockwise:

1) Tour leader Jim 2) The first stop in Redwood City 3)4) The last stop, the Candy Store in Burlingame 5) Always lots to eat 6) Meeting at Wellesley Crescent with Bob Moll, new members Sam and Connie Asaro, Charlie Drechsler Jr.

Photos this page:

Tanya Pomposo and Connie Asaro. Eating lunch at the Candy store.

Driving old cars must work up an appetite (no power steering or power brakes!)

Thanks to our official photographer Vince Perry for the photos



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Then on to Frank and Tanya's garage where we saw their Pontiac and Chevrolet in addition to Frank's woodworking shop. We also continued to snack on breakfast goodies and coffee.

Finally, we cruised the El Camino to Burlingame where Brian Andrews and Ed Archer opened up the Candy Store collection for us and, of course, delivered more food.

Thank you to all the garage tour hosts for opening up their garages. This tour was so successful I hope to do it again next year. We already have three possible garages. If you'd like to add your name to the list, just contact me, your editor, Jim Remington



President's Message Continued

We had a great Annual Picnic, with Bill Bratt at the helm, and many members in attendance. Frank Pomposo managed the grill, and all members shared a plate or two of salad or dessert. We had giant checkers, magnetic darts, and corn hole for anyone brave enough to challenge Tanya – quite the athlete! An added bonus was Ed Archer treating us to great harmony in memory of my dad (Charlie Sr.).

Saturday, September 17th – Autos in History Park (at San Jose's Kelly Park). This annual event is a wonderful walk back in time, celebrating human ingenuity. Gates open at 11am, and the 2pm Model T Ford reconstruction can't be missed, starring some of our very dedicated club members.

The Port of Redwood City has announced that on Saturday, Oct. 1st, "PortFest" is returning to provide a unique opportunity to explore its waterfront. We have been invited to participate, more information will be available at our 9/23 meeting, and via email updates.

The Magnolia of Millbrae will be hosting their Annual Mini-Concorso on Saturday, 10/8 from 11am-3pm, with MPOTAC headlining for the day. If you'd like to attend and share your beautiful car with the members of this first-rate retirement community, please RSVP with me directly at 650-270-4925. The first 16 cars are welcome, so come join us for lunch & ice cream.

Finally, just a word of thanks to the many members and past leaders in this club who have made this year so much fun. We continue to work on the budget, by-laws revisions, and our nominating committee; please contact me with fresh ideas for new adventures to share as a club.

If I missed something that you've participated in, please come to the next regular meeting on Friday, 9/23 at 7:30pm, at the Highlands Community Club, to share the news of other recent car events in our region. Our special guest speaker will be Ed Archer, discussing Automobile Appraisal: Method, Memories & Insights.

Please join us at these upcoming events:

October 8th - Mini-Concourse at The Magnolia of Millbrae

October 28th - Annual Installation Black Tie Dinner (snacks after the regular meeting)

November 25th – Monthly meetings cancelled (Happy Thanksgiving)

December Christmas Lights Tour – to be announced (No meetings this month)

Safe travels,
Charlie Drechsler, Jr.

A fond farewell to our dear friends Len & Debbie Flaherty,
 As you leave the area for retirement to Ashland, Oregon,
 We want you to know you'll be missed,
 For your smiles, your laughter, and dedication,
 Respected for years of service and editing,
 Appreciated for your wisdom and wit,
 ... and especially Debbie's cookies.
 Safe travels until we meet again,
 Your friends in MPOTAC



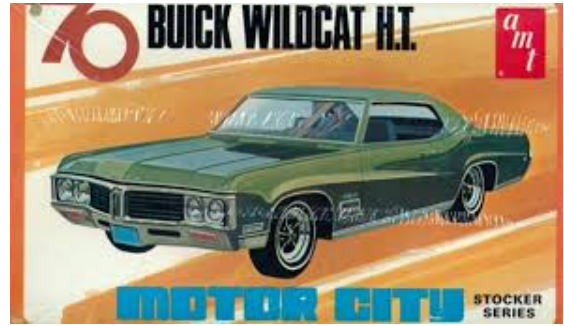
New Members:

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Remember the Buick Wildcat?

Buick's first use of the Wildcat name was on three mid-1950s dream cars.

The first Wildcat was created as a 1953 two-seater show and experimental car. That was followed in 1954 by an all-new sportier one-off, the Wildcat II, and that in turn was followed by another in 1955, the four-passenger Wildcat III.



Left, the 1953 Buick Wildcat was the first show car to bear the Wildcat name.

Then in 1962, Buick brought out the first production Wildcat, a new factory hot rod designed to compete with the Oldsmobile Starfire and Pontiac Grand Prix. But 1970 saw the last year for the Wildcat.



Now the Buick Wildcat is returning!

Buick has announced that it'll only sell [EVs](#) in America by 2030 and has designed an electric Buick Wildcat **concept**. It is a coupe that is low and wide with a wraparound windscreen, and a sloping roofline. There's a new signature face too with a sharp beak and low-mounted grille, plus rather cool lights front and rear. And the interior? Buick says, the interior is "delineated by a prominent console that extends from the base of the instrument panel to the rear seating area" and that it "uses unique graphic and colour contrasts to create the perception of visually floating elements intended to accentuate the cabin's lightweight feel and spaciousness". Got all that?



Upcoming MPOTAC Events

October 8th – Mini-Concourse at The Magnolia of Millbrae

November 12th – Annual Installation Luncheon (details to follow)

Our next regular meeting is on **September 23rd** at 7:30 pm, at the Highlands Community Club.

Other Automotive EVENTS

September 17, Saturday – Antique Autos in History Park. 635 Phelan Ave, San José, 11-4. Vehicles pre-1946. See info in last month's newsletter

September 24 – Car show at the Redwood City Elks Club. Info in last month's newsletter.

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

Oct. 15 – Car show in Vacaville, 5139 Quinn Rd. More info at www.corvette-express.com/carshow (looks like mostly Corvettes and modified cars)

Club Newsletter

This newsletter is 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. Deadline for submission is the end of the month. This newsletter is published once a month except in December.

Your house of the future – the Dymaxion House.

Conceived and designed in the late 1920's but not actually built until 1945, the Dymaxion House was Buckminster Fuller's solution to the need for a mass-produced, affordable, easily transportable and environmentally efficient house. The word "Dymaxion" was coined by combining parts of three of Bucky's favorite words: DY (dynamic), MAX (maximum), and ION (tension).



History museum to get \$13.5M upgrade with three-story Taube classic car exhibit

Classic automobiles, which have long been part of local history, will soon have a permanent home at the San Mateo County History Museum in downtown Redwood City.

At least 50 people gathered outside the museum to celebrate the unveiling of the Taube Family Carriage House and Automobile Gallery, a \$13.5 million project slated to break ground by this fall.

What began as a simple project for a one-story, “barn-type structure” grew into multiple galleries showcasing Redwood City’s long automotive history, said John LaTorra, the San Mateo County Historical Association vice chairman. He spoke about his vision to expand educational opportunities to the more than 20,000 children who visit each year and maybe even spark their interest in the automotive industry and the future of transportation.

“We’re going to use carriages, and automobiles to talk about the past, the present and the future,” he said.

The event took place in the museum parking lot, and soon-to-be site of a three-story, 14,000-square-foot building that will house a rotating exhibit of roughly 20 historic carriages and automobiles. In addition to the exhibits, people will be invited to interact with the artifacts—such as a two-bench buggy and horse-drawn carriage—and watch the ongoing construction and restoration of classic vehicles.

The Kopf family will be contributing some, but not all, of the vehicles on display, including a 1926 Model T, which Kopf said may be the subject of a live reconstruction. He hopes to build a Model T “from the ground up” to give people the opportunity to see how a classic car is made.

From the RWC Pulse newsletter



MPOTAC Board Meeting August 22,2022

The meeting was called to order by Bill Bratt at 7:40 PM.

President Charlie Dreschsler, Jr. was not available due to car problems on his trip to Southern California.

Membership: Bill Mitchell was not available.

Secretary: Minutes of the July 18th Board meeting were approved as published in our newsletter and website.

Treasurer: Ted Panofsky was not available.

Health/Welfare: Tanya Pomposo was not available.

Tours: Our annual picnic is scheduled for August 28th. 45 people have signed up. There was a surplus of \$53.00. Bill Bratt suggested a refund of \$2.00 per person. The suggestion was voted on and approved. Kelly Park is scheduled for September 17th. The Magnolia Mini-Concourse is scheduled for October 8th. The Magnolia luncheon is questionable. More updates as we received them.

Friendship Day: Bob Moll has nothing new to report.

Publications: Jim Remington has nothing new to report.

Webmaster: Ted Panofsky was not available.

Historian: Ed Krantz will have material at our August 26th general meeting.

Programs: Charlie Dreschsler, Jr. was not available.

Unfinished Business: By-laws and budget updates are ongoing. Also, progress is moving forward with the nominating committee.

Adjourned: 7:54 PM

Submitted by co-secretary: Ed Wong

Attendance: Bill Bratt, Jim Remington, Bob Moll, Ed Wong, Ed & Maureen Krantz.

Committee Chairs

Membership – Bill Mitchell
Webmaster – Ted Panofsky
Publications – Jim Remington
Programs – Charlie Drechsler Jr.
Refreshments – Bill Bratt
Friendship Day – Bob Moll
Historian – Ed Krantz
Health & Welfare – Tanya Pomposo

General Meeting August 26, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President Charlie Dreschsler, Jr. at 7:32 PM.

Charlie thanked Bill Bratt for chairing the board meeting on Monday, August 22nd.

Membership: Bill Mitchell reported no changes.

Secretary: Minutes of the July 18th board meeting and minutes of the July 22nd general meeting posted on our website were approved as written.

Treasurer: Ted Panofsky was not present, but a full report is available on-line.

Health/Welfare: Tanya Pomposo was not available. Bill Bratt reported that Ed & Karen Archer tested Covid positive from their Pebble Beach event.

Tours: Our annual picnic is scheduled for Sunday, August 28th. Bill Bratt reported 43 signed up. Remember to bring your own plates and utensils. Also, bring a salad or dessert to share if you like. Unofficial event as mentioned by Steve Marchegiani. Car show on September 5, 2022 at the Circus Club, Menlo Park's Polo Field. \$75 entrance fee. Hawaiian BBQ provided.

Friendship Day: "Work in progress", replied Bob Moll.

Publications: Jim Remington reports no changes.

Webmaster: Ted Padnofsky was not available.

Historian: Ed Krantz gave a presentation on performance parts for the Whippet/Willys. Also, pictures of the club's previous events from 30 years ago.

Friendship Day, Garage Tours, San Mateo Fairground Tours, Wine Country overnight Tours, 50th anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge.

Unfinished Business: Work is progressing on reviewing our by-laws and Ed Archer and Jim Remington on the Club's History section.

New Business: Charlie, Jr. is working on an event at the Highlands scheduled for October.

Announcements: Len Flaherty is moving to a retirement community in Ashland, Oregon.

We'll really miss you. Enjoy.

Raffle: Die-cast model cars from Charlie Dreschsler, Sr.'s give-away clean-up stuff.

Georg Hellerich-57 Ford T-bird

Lowell Wolfe-40 Ford

Steve Marchegiani-Mercedes model

Adjourned: 8:48 PM

Submitted by co-secretary: Ed Wong

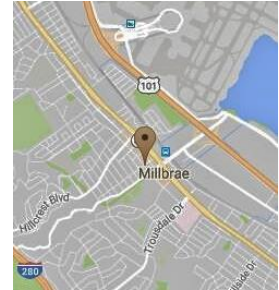


Autumn Social and Mini Concours

Saturday October 8th, 2022 - The Magnolia of Millbrae invites



MPOTAC once again to display up to 16 vintage vehicles on their grounds from 11 AM to 3 PM.



It all happens at 201 Chadbourne Avenue Millbrae, CA.

From Highway 101, take the Millbrae Avenue exit. From El Camino Real, take Millbrae Avenue West, turn right onto Lewis Avenue and right again into The Magnolia of Millbrae driveway, leading up to the Chadbourne Avenue main entrance (see map below). Ms. Sherry M. Plambeck, Director of Marketing, and her staff will greet you and assist in placing your car.

Take the main entrance steps and enjoy piano music, provided by Petaluma Pete. Enjoy Bottled water and Chef's Treats. Box lunches will be prepared for each MPOTAC driver and one guest.

An exterior door to the Dining Room provides access to restrooms.



NOTE: "Ticket" to this event is your MPOTAC Club **Badge** and/or MPOTAC **jacket** . . . Don't forget; bring your own folding chairs! The Club provides coffee.

**Sign up or leave a message with Bob Moll
650-218-5819 or remfun@aol.com**



MPOTAC AUGUST PICNIC 2022

Photos by Vince Perry

